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BENTON TWP.

Driver charged with attempted murder

Police say man deliberately crashed his car with passenger inside

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — A man who police believe intentionally crashed his vehicle, severely injuring his female passenger, is now in the Berrien County jail.

Benton Township Police Chief Brian Smit said Yoshum McClinton, 38, of Benton Harbor, is being charged with attempted murder and an alcohol offense.

Theresa Wade, 51, also of Benton Harbor, is in Bronson Hospital in Kalamazoo after she was transferred there from Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Smit said she is being treated for chest and back injuries. McClinton was taken to jail after being treated at Lakeland Tuesday night.

Smit said McClinton crashed his vehicle, a Jeep Cherokee, into a high voltage power line antenna tower at the intersection of Euclid Avenue and E. Britain Avenue in Benton Township in what police believe was an attempt to harm himself and his passenger.

In a press release issued Wednesday afternoon, Smit said police were called at 9:22 p.m. Tuesday to a residence in the 1600 block of Kay Drive on a report of a suicidal person who may have cut their wrist.

Officers arriving at the house saw a Jeep Cherokee speeding away and called 911 dispatch with that information. One officer met with a resident at the house to try to determine what had happened, while a second officer who saw the Jeep being driven recklessly at a high rate of speed began following it. The officer saw the vehicle swerving in and out of traffic and passing vehicles on Euclid Avenue, Smit said.

As the second officer approached the intersection of Euclid and E. Britain he found that the Jeep had crashed into the antenna tower. The driver, who was determined to be McClinton, had a cut to his wrist that was bleeding, Smit said.

The passenger, Wade, was wedged in the front passenger seat area and was complaining of chest pain, police said. She was freed from the vehicle by members of the Benton Township Fire Department using extrication equipment.

Both were taken to Lakeland by Medic 1 ambulance.

This Jeep crashed into an antenna tower Tuesday in Benton Township. The driver has been charged with attempted murder after police say he crashed the vehicle deliberately with a passenger inside.
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Benton Township Police were assisted at the scene by Michigan State Police and the Berrien County Sheriff's Department.

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BIRDS OF A FEATHER

Don Campbell / HP staff

Kim Wood, of St. Joseph, continues work on a section of her mural titled "Birds of a Feather Flock Together" Wednesday afternoon on the outside of the Box Factory for the Arts in St. Joseph. The work is being underwritten by a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

BENTON HARBOR

Teen named Midwest Youth of the Year

Tékeidra Masters now will head to national competition

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — There was plenty of hooting and hollering from supporters Wednesday after recent Benton Harbor High School graduate Tékeidra Masters was named the 2020 Midwest Regional Youth of the Year, hosted by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

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After being announced as the winner, Masters thanked her "village of Benton Harbor" for supporting her.

"They never let me do this by myself. Thank you. I'm so grateful," she said from Valparaiso University in Indiana, where she is a freshman majoring in biology, with her goal to become a neurosurgeon.

Her supporters gathered at the

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Gov. Whitmer aims to decarbonize state by 2050

By KEITH MATHENY
Detroit Free Press

LANSING — Citing a rising threat to public health and the environment, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer on Wednesday signed an executive order battling climate change, aiming to make Michigan's economy carbon-neutral by 2050.

"The science is clear – climate change is directly impacting our public health, environment, our economy and our families," Whitmer said in a statement.

"This dangerous reality is already causing harm throughout Michigan, with communities of color and low-income Michiganders suffering disproportionately, which is why I'm taking immediate action to protect our state. We owe it to our children and grandchildren to leave them a cleaner, safer and healthier world."

The move was hailed by environmentalists as continuing forward momentum on a shift toward cleaner energy and technologies, as Michigan warms and endures stronger storms that scientists have tied to global climate change. But it comes as Whitmer battles with the Republican-led state legislature over her executive orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic, restrictions on businesses and life in the name of public health that Republicans have called heavy-handed.

"The Majority Leader is not surprised by the governor using an EO (executive order) to attempt to control the climate as she has used EOs to try and control everything else in Michigan," said Amber McCann, press secretary for state Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey, a

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Blossomtime: Better late than never

Pageants delayed by COVID-19 will take place on Saturday

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — The 2020 Blossomtime Pageant on Saturday will be one of the most unusual held in the festival's history due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The biggest change is that it's being held in September instead of March.

Blossomtime President Anna Abdelnour said it was a shock when the pageant had to be called off three days before it was scheduled to begin in March at Lake Michigan College's Mendel Center.

"It's so crazy. I couldn't even wrap my head around the idea that everything would go into instant shutdown," she said. "We had all heard about (the pandemic), but we didn't literally believe that it's going to happen here in Southwest Michigan. To suddenly go from 75 mph getting ready to go into this pageant and then hit the brakes at zero, that's what we did. I was in shock and I'm still in shock."

She said they were hoping to hold the pageant indoors once the pandemic subsided, but that hasn't happened, yet. So she said the board of directors started looking for alternative ways to give participants the experiences that go along with the Blossomtime Festival.

Usually, she said the charm bracelet exchange is held in May during the mayor's banquet, but that was also cancelled. Instead, they presented the queens with the charm bracelets during a much smaller ceremony last month in Bridgman.

Abdelnour said they were surprised when all of the queens not only participated, but said they wanted to do more.

"There was no closure for these kids," she said.

Because indoor gatherings are limited to 10 people or less, they decided to hold the pageant outdoors at the Harbor Shores Golf Club Event Tent while the weather is still cooperating.

Even outside, gatherings are limited to 250 people, so the public is not invited.

Instead, the pageant will be livestreamed on WSJM's Facebook page.

"The show itself is totally different," Abdelnour said. "At the same time, I feel like it has so much value. I feel like the young people of 2020, many things were different for them. They didn't get to go to their graduation or their senior prom. ... But it's important for them to be able to go forth and finish what they started."

The Mr. Blossomtime Pageant

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GOP Senate report on Biden son alleges conflict of interest

By ERIC TUCKER and MARY CLARE JALONICK
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two Republican-led Senate committees issued a politically charged report Wednesday alleging that the work Joe Biden's son did in Ukraine constituted a conflict of interest for the Obama administration at a time when Biden was engaged in Ukraine policy as vice president. But the report also offered no support for President Donald Trump's claim that the Democratic presidential nominee had improperly pressed for the firing of the country's top prosecutor to protect his son.

The report did not implicate Biden in wrongdoing, focusing instead on his son Hunter, who it said "cashed in" on his father's position by joining the board of a Ukrainian gas company. The document says that work created conflict-of-interest concerns, including among two Obama administration officials, but acknowledged that it was ultimately "not clear" what impact Hunter Biden's paid board position had on policy with Ukraine.

Biden's campaign immediately panned the report, released six weeks before the election, as an effort by an ally of Trump's to damage his election opponent. The campaign said the investigation was founded on "a long-disproven, hardcore rightwing conspiracy theory" and, even before the report was released, issued a detailed statement aiming to rebut point-by-point allegations that it said had long been debunked by media organizations as well as by U.S. and Ukrainian officials.

Hunter Biden's work in Ukraine remains a prominent line of attack in conservative circles heading into the election. Trump himself has repeatedly drawn attention to the issue, with his request for Ukraine to investigate the Bidens spurring an impeachment case against him. He's continued to trumpet the claims even as his own administration has warned of a concerted Russian effort to denigrate Joe Biden and has asserted that a Ukrainian lawmaker who is involved in spreading an "unsubstantiated" anti-Biden narrative has been an "active Russian agent" for over a decade.

The investigation, from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the Finance Committee, produced stark political divisions. Democrats have accused Republican Sen. Ron Johnson, the Homeland Security chair, of a politically motivated initiative at a time when they say the committee should be focused on the pandemic response and other, less partisan issues.

LOTTERIES

Wednesday drawings

Michigan
Classic Lotto 47
06-09-14-15-40-45
Poker Lotto
3C-9C-3D-9H-4S
Midday Daily 3
9-8-9
Midday Daily 4
1-1-0-0
Daily 3
6-8-6
Daily 4
0-8-9-1
Fantasy 5
19-22-23-24-28
Keno
05-06-07-12-19-22-27-31-33-40-43-51-60-61-62-63-64-65-69-70-74-78
Mega Millions jackpot
$24 million
Powerball jackpot
$22 million

Tuesday drawings

Michigan
Mega Millions
36-43-44-55-68, Mega Ball: 12, Megaplier: 4
Indiana
Cash 5
09-18-38-40-42
Cash4Life
01-08-17-20-56, Cash Ball: 1
Quick Draw Midday
02-07-15-18-20-21-27-31-34-38-43-47-53-55-62-63-69-72-74-75, BE: 47
Daily Three-Midday
2-6-9, SB: 7
Daily Three-Evening
9-5-1, SB: 0
Daily Four-Midday
3-3-3-9, SB: 7
Daily Four-Evening
8-2-3-6, SB: 0
Quick Draw Evening
01-06-08-12-17-18-20-27-37-38-41-49-51-56-59-62-67-74-75-77, BE: 59
Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
03-09-13-19-42
Pick Three-Midday
3-3-2, Fireball: 0
Pick Three-Evening
6-0-8, Fireball: 6
Pick Four-Midday
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Michigan lawmakers unveil, approve $62.7B state budget

By DAVID EGGERT
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LANSING — Michigan lawmakers on Wednesday swiftly proposed and passed a $62.7 billion budget that would keep spending flat thanks to a federal rescue and avoid major cuts that had been feared due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The bipartisan plan was unveiled in the morning and won final approval by day's end – a week before the Oct. 1 deadline – before going to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer for her expected signature. Majority Republicans skipped the normal monthslong routine of holding committee hearings and publicly offering counterproposals to the pitch the Democratic governor made in February – before COVID-19 upended everything.

Instead, the sides spent four-plus weeks hammering out details in private after coming to a consensus on the budget picture three months later than usual. The process also was delayed to address a shortfall in the current fiscal year but was much smoother than a year ago, when there was an impasse over Whitmer's proposal to raise fuel taxes to fix the roads.

"Saying that the development of the 2021 budget has been difficult would be an understatement, but I am very proud that we've been able to work together with the Legislature to put together a budget that moves Michigan forward," the governor said in a written statement in which she thanked GOP leaders.

In the $17.6 billion education budget, which the Senate and House approved 36-1 and 103-2, K-12 would see a 1.4 percent funding boost. While base aid for traditional districts and charter schools would remain the same – ranging from $8,111 to $8,529 per student – they would get a one-time boost averaging $65 a pupil. Districts with increased enrollment would receive even more.

Support staff at schools would get up to $250 each to recognize their work during the pandemic. Legislators and Whitmer previously authorized $500 for teachers.

The school budget "has so many things that we were very concerned would be" cut, said Republican Sen. Jim Stamas of Midland, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Negotiators prioritized education, he said.

Rep. Aaron Miller, a Sturgis Republican who chairs the House K-12 budget subcommittee, said school funding was protected because of "borrowed federal money" that "our grandkids are going to have to pay off."

Operations funding for universities and community colleges would remain unchanged, as would state revenue-sharing with municipalities.

In the $45.1 billion general budget, the governor and lawmakers agreed to restore funding she had vetoed in March to save money due to the pandemic. There would be $15 million to partially revive Pure Michigan, the state's tourism campaign; $30 million for a new program the governor has touted to provide financial assistance for adults age 25 and older to attend community college; $28.7 million for the Going Pro campaign, which helps businesses recruit students into the trades and other high-demand fields; and $31.3 million in earmarks, or "enhancement grants," for projects in individual legislative districts.

Cuts are planned, too. The Corrections Department, citing fewer prisoners and other changes, will in January close a Detroit location that houses parole violators and inmates who need dialysis. The Detroit Reentry Center employs 220 people.

Departments would trim a total of $250 million, largely through reductions in the multibillion-dollar Medicaid budget that would not directly affect services, said state spokesman Kurt Weiss. The general budget cleared the House 101-4 and the Senate 37-0.

The deal would extend for three more months a $2 hourly wage increase for "direct care" workers in nursing homes and other facilities during the virus outbreak. Negotiators also set aside $2.5 million to help the city of Clare replace water pipes after testing last year showed excessive amounts of lead.

Funding also was allocated to hire more marijuana and gambling regulators. Michigan plans to launch internet gambling and online sports betting by late fall.

Rep. Jon Hoadley of Kalamazoo, the top Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee, said he was particularly proud to fund new initiatives such as Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies to address maternal and infant mortality and the disproportionate racial impacts. Medicaid eligibility would be lengthened for new mothers, and in-home visits to at-risk families would rise.

"We should have more health care, not less, and this bill does that," he said.

As part of the federal relief package, the state government received $3 billion in assistance. Also, federally funded stimulus checks, supplemental unemployment benefits and forgivable loans to businesses have been credited with lessening the economic pain from virus-related shutdowns. Tax collections did not fall as much as initially projected.

Police officers not charged for killing Breonna Taylor

By DYLAN LOVAN and PIPER HUDSPETH BLACKBURN
Associated Press / Report for America

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A Kentucky grand jury brought no charges against Louisville police for the killing of Breonna Taylor during a drug raid gone wrong, with prosecutors saying Wednesday that two officers who fired their weapons at the Black woman were justified in using force to protect themselves after they were shot at.

John Minchillo / AP

Police and protesters converge during a demonstration in Louisville, Ky., on Wednesday.

The only charges brought by the grand jury were three counts of wanton endangerment against fired Officer Brett Hankison for shooting into a home next to Taylor's that had people in it. The FBI is still investigating potential violations of federal law in connection with the raid at Taylor's home on the night of March 13.

Ben Crump, a lawyer for Taylor's family, denounced the decision as "outrageous and offensive," and protesters shouting, "No justice, no peace!" began marching through the streets. Some sat quietly and wept. Later, scuffles broke out between police and protesters, and some were arrested.

Taylor, an emergency medical worker, was shot multiple times by white officers who entered her home on a no-knock warrant during a narcotics investigation – although state Attorney General Daniel Cameron said Wednesday the investigation showed the officers did announce themselves before entering. The warrant used to search her home was connected to a suspect who did not live there, and no drugs were found inside.

Along with the killing of George Floyd in Minnesota, Taylor's case became a major touchstone for the nationwide protests that have gripped the nation since May – drawing attention to entrenched racism and demanding police reform. Taylor's image has been painted on streets, emblazoned on protest signs and silk-screened on T-shirts worn by celebrities. Several prominent African American celebrities have joined those urging that the officers be charged.

The announcement of the charges drew immediate sadness, frustration and anger that the grand jury did not go further. The wanton endangerment charges each carry a sentence of up to five years.

"To not indict the officers for murder is to claim #BreonnaTaylor killed herself. Racist America constantly kills Black people and then tells Black people we killed ourselves," tweeted Ibram X. Kendi, director of the Center for Antiracist Research at Boston University and the author of "How to Be an Antiracist."

Morgan Julianna Lee, a high school student in Charlotte, North Carolina, watched the announcement at home.

"It's almost like a slap in the face," the 15-year-old said by phone. "If I, as a Black woman, ever need justice, I will never get it."

Right after the decision, protesters began gathering in Louisville, with some preparing food and others bringing cases of water to "Injustice Square," the park where people have demanded justice for Taylor.

While the rallies were largely peaceful, police in protective gear carrying batons mobilized in downtown, and some scuffles broke out. Officers could be seen handcuffing some people. Police also ordered a group that broke off from the protests to disperse, warning that chemical agents might be used if they didn't.

Gov. Andy Beshear, a Democrat, said he authorized a limited deployment of the National Guard. An Associated Press reporter saw guard members and armored military vehicles in downtown Louisville.

Beshear also urged Cameron, the state attorney general, to post online all the evidence that could be released without affecting the charges filed.

"Those that are currently feeling frustration, feeling hurt, they deserve to know more," he said.

The case exposed the wide gulf between public opinion on justice for those who kill Black Americans, and the laws under which those officers are charged, which regularly favor working police and do not often result in steep criminal accusations.

At a news conference, Cameron spoke to that disconnect.

"Criminal law is not meant to respond to every sorrow and grief," he said.

"But my heart breaks for the loss of Miss Taylor. ... My mother, if something was to happen to me, would find it very hard," he added, choking up.

But Cameron, who is the state's first Black attorney general, said the officers acted in self-defense after Taylor's boyfriend fired at them. He added that Hankison and the two other officers who entered Taylor's apartment announced themselves before entering – and so did not execute the warrant as "no-knock," according to the investigation. The use of no-knock warrants has since been banned by Louisville's Metro Council.

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BERRIEN COUNTY TRIAL COURT

Alleged embezzler waives hearing

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — A woman accused of embezzling more than $100,000 from a vineyard in Baroda where she was employed as office manager will go on trial.

Berrien Assistant Prosecutor Peter Drent said Lorraine Branum, 59, of Granger, Ind., waived the continuation of her preliminary hearing in Berrien County Trial Court Tuesday and was bound over for trial on charges of embezzlement of $100,000 or more and three counts of uttering and publishing.

Trial is set for March 2-5, 2021.

Branum's preliminary hearing before Berrien County Trial Court Judge Charles LaSata began in August but was adjourned after the prosecutor presented copies of nearly 200 checks a witness said contained the forged signature of Dan Nitz, owner of the Arrowhead Vineyard.

The checks were made out to Lorraine Branum, according to testimony. Nitz's fiance, Portia Braddock, testified in August that after doing a lot of digging, she found 196 checks totaling $122,611.69 that contained the forged signature of Nitz.

The hearing in August was adjourned at the request of Branum's lawyer, Sarisa Montague, who told the judge it was the first time she'd seen the stack of copies of checks and she wanted to review them one-by-one.

The hearing was to have resumed Tuesday, but Branum waived it and the case will be set for trial, Drent said.

The embezzlement charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison. Before the start of her hearing in August, Branum was offered a plea deal. Drent said if she pleaded guilty to embezzlement of $50,000 to $100,000, the prosecutor's office would recommend a jail sentence but no prison time. She turned down that deal.

It is alleged that Branum stole money from Arrowhead Vineyard in increments between November 2018 and January 2020.

Nitz told the court in August that the alleged embezzlement was discovered by his fiance, who brought to his attention some checks on which the name on the signature line was his, but the signature itself was not.

Nitz and Braddock called police and fired Branum Feb. 12. She had begun working for Arrowhead Vineyard in November 2018. As office manager, she took care of all office functions, including payroll.

According to a police report, the first check in question was written Nov. 10, 2018 and the final one was Jan. 31, 2020.

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Kaylena Gordon recently opened Ink About It Tattooing in downtown Bridgman.

Tattoo parlor opens in Bridgman

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
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BRIDGMAN — Tattoo artist Kaylena Gordon wants to leave her mark on Southwest Michigan.

It's one of the reasons why she opened a tattoo parlor in Bridgman last week, which she is calling Ink About It.

As owner, Gordon said Ink About It is the only female-owned tattoo parlor in Berrien County.

"It fell into place and we started working on things in the middle of August," said Gordon, who hadn't planned on opening her own parlor at the beginning of the year. "Once I had the place and the loans, that's when it started to feel real."

Gordon opened her shop last Tuesday and has already seen about 20 clients.

She got her start in the industry as a tattoo artist with The Parlor Tattooing more than a year ago.

However, after the business closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Gordon found herself without a job and not many available options throughout the county.

"A couple weeks after that, I contemplated what I was going to do because I had been this apprentice," Gordon said. "I looked at a few other shops, but they didn't have any open spaces. It's hard to find an open spot. My older brother told me to look into it and before I knew it, I had a business loan and a building."

Having grown up in Berrien Springs, Gordon attended school in Bridgman and looked to set up shop there. She said the town could be a draw for tourists with the amount of breweries and wineries that were stationed around Bridgman.

Ink About It can be found at 4165 Lake St., which Gordon and her cousin spent the better part of two weeks renovating and prepping for business.

"We've gotten a lot of support from the community," she said. "It's definitely a little overwhelming at first going through all the messages. But being able to tattoo again and see the business aspect of it has been refreshing."

Gordon said she never aspired to be a tattoo artist. She was originally pursuing a career in nursing.

The change in her career path stemmed from a day at Spectrum Health Lakeland when she was drawing portraits of people she worked with.

"I started sketching and people took notice. I wondered what I could do with this," said Gordon, who was planning on getting a tattoo around that time.

When she arrived at the tattoo parlor, she brought her portfolio with her and was hired shortly after.

"It kind of snowballed into one thing or another," she said. "It was like school. When one thing is done, there's the next thing and all of a sudden, you're graduated."

Owner Kaylena Gordon, right, works on a tattoo for Gabby Rosales on Wednesday at Ink About It Tattooing in downtown Bridgman.

Kaylena Gordon opened Ink About It Tattooing in downtown Bridgman after the shop she was working at shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For now, Gordon is the lone employee.

Originally, she had planned to run the parlor alone until she became more comfortable as owner. After a six-month period, Gordon said she was going to add full- and part-time tattoo artists. But it might be sooner than that based on the business she's been getting.

"I like seeing people's faces when I'm done. We do everything custom. We want it to be unique and have nothing be the same," she said.

At the moment she is focusing on tattoos, but Gordon said is open to offering piercings in the future.

Ink About It is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. Gordon said clients can book appointments Wednesdays through Saturdays, as she uses Tuesdays for the managerial side of the business.

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SOUTH HAVEN

SH city manager search down to two finalists

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SOUTH HAVEN — If all goes well, city council members will be hiring a new city manager next month.

An interview panel conducted public interviews with seven candidates last week and narrowed the list to two finalists – South Haven's Interim City Manager Kate Hosier and Timothy Wolff, village manager for Village of Lake Isabella, a municipality located near Mt. Pleasant.

"We had a great set of candidates, they all interviewed very well," said South Haven Mayor Scott Smith, who was a member of the interview panel, along with Eddie Polk, senior technical instructor at Entergy; Stephanie Timmer, vice president of the Western Market for Sturgis Bank & Trust Co.; Ross Stein, South Haven Township supervisor; Claudia Maddox, former South Haven Board of Education member; and Bob Strait, retired administrator and director for the W.E. Upjohn Institute in Kalamazoo.

City council members plan to interview the two finalists Monday, Sept. 28, and then make a decision on which one to hire to replace Brian Dissette, who left the city at the end of June to become Berrien County's new administrator.

"We are hoping by the Oct. 19 meeting to have council approve an agreement with a new city manager," Kim Wise, South Haven's human resource director, told council members Monday.

Hosier has served as interim manager since June, in addition to serving as assistant city manager and harbor master, duties she's been undertaking since February of 2016. Prior to that she served as deputy city clerk for a year and the city's marina office manager for two years. A licensed attorney, Hosier holds a law degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School and ran her own law firm in Lansing from 2009 to 2012 before returning to South Haven, where she grew up. She also holds a bachelor of arts degree in history from Western Michigan University.

Wolff has served as village manager of Lake Isabella since 2004. His other duties include that of deputy clerk, zoning administrator, streets administrator and chief code enforcement officer. Before that he was a village council member for the Village of Breckenridge for four years, while working as general manager for The Ridge Golf Course in Breckenridge and as sales manager for Rent-a-Center in Saginaw.

He obtained a bachelor of arts degree in political science and a master of science degree in administration from Central Michigan University.

Although city residents will not be able to see the finalists interviewed in-person, due to social distancing restrictions, Wise said people can contact her with questions, which can be reviewed and then asked of finalists during their interviews, which will be conducted online and can be viewed on the city's website.

"In the past we've had members of the community come in and do a meet-and-greet with finalists. With COVID that's not really a reality," she explained.

ST. JOSEPH

Third Unity Service is Friday

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — When Dr. Sherry O'Donnell from the Rappa Medical Center in St. Joseph, with help from local churches, organized an outdoor Unity Service in late July, she was expecting fewer than 100 people would attend.

"The response was incredible, and people wanted to know when the next one would be," O'Donnell said. A second Unity Service was held in August.

Organizers have now decided to hold a service the last Friday of every month. This week's service will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the John E.N. Howard Bandshell in St. Joseph. Attendees are asked to wear face masks and practice social distance. O'Donnell said the new start time is due to darkness setting in earlier.

As the weather turns colder, future services will be held at an indoor venue, possibly Lake Michigan College. Times and locations will be announced as they are set.

Organizers said the goal is "to focus on God, family, community and neighborly love," and the services feature speakers and music.

This week's lineup includes: The Rev. James Childs, Progressive Missionary Baptist Church; Pastor Windle Davis, El Bethel Church; and Pastor Rob Snodgrass, New Journey Church. Pastor Dan Miller, First Assembly Church, will offer the closing prayer.

Music will be provided by combined worship teams from a variety of area churches, O'Donnell said.

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IN BRIEF

Wednesday COVID-19 update

Berrien County recorded four new COVID-19 cases and 14 new recoveries Wednesday.

No new deaths were recorded.

With deaths and recoveries, the county is at about 97 active COVID-19 cases. That's down from 107 on Tuesday and up from 72 last Wednesday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating seven COVID-19 patients Wednesday, the same as on Tuesday and one more than last Wednesday.

Van Buren County added no new COVID-19 cases or deaths for the second day in a row Wednesday, while Cass County recorded 10 new cases.

Signups open for 10th Rake A Difference event

Each year for the last 10 years, hundreds of volunteers have fanned out across Southwest Michigan to help seniors clean up outside before winter hits.

This year's Rake A Difference event, organized by United Way of Southwest Michigan will take place Nov. 12.

Volunteers, working as teams, will help seniors in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties rake and bag leaves and clean gutters.

The service is free for those age 60 and older, who are unable to perform yard work and can't afford to pay for services. Seniors are helped on a first-come, first-served basis, dependent on the number of volunteers available.

Volunteers and seniors can sign up at uwsm.org/rake-a-difference. Seniors can also sign up by calling 932-3554. The deadline for both is Oct. 16.

For more information, visit uwsm.org/rake-a-difference.

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Democrats threaten to burn down the republic

Ben Shapiro

Last week, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg died at the age of 87. Her death immediately initiated a political firestorm in Washington, D.C. – one that threatens the very integrity of the republic. That's not because, as the media and Democrats would claim, some sort of institutional norm has been violated by a Republican president selecting a replacement for Ginsburg to be voted on by a Republican Senate. It's because Democrats have declared that so long as they are unable to replace Ginsburg with an activist left-wing judge willing to use the Constitution to cram down liberal policy prescriptions, they will tear down every barrier to majoritarian tyranny.

The Constitution was specifically constructed to promote gridlock. That's because the Founding Fathers greatly feared majoritarian tyranny – legalized mob rule by which simple majorities could cram down violations of rights on minorities. To that end, they balanced the House of Representatives, which was popularly elected, and the Senate, which was represented by state and selected by state legislatures. They balanced the legislative branch with the executive and judicial branches. They balanced power between a federal structure and state governments. The founders believed that the greatest protection for individual rights lay in ambition checking ambition at every level.

Progressives have, since the beginning of the 20th century, objected to this philosophy of government. Instead, they have seen institutional gridlock as a danger to "getting things done." Former President Woodrow Wilson infamously explained that "Men as communities are supreme over men as individuals," and that, therefore, there ought to be no institutional checks against governmental necessity. Democrats have faithfully carried forward that vision, checked only by political reality – Wilson unconstitutionally expanded the executive branch; Franklin Roosevelt infamously sought to pack the Supreme Court; Lyndon Johnson radically expanded the size and scope of the federal government; Barack Obama declared that the government itself "is us."

That meant that for the political left, all institutions of government had to be converted into instruments of power or destroyed. The left has done just that with the Supreme Court for generations, viewing it as a repository for transformational change rather than a legal body with a mandate to only interpret honestly the words of the law. With that view of the court threatened by a Republican-appointed majority, Democrats are now panicking.

And they are responding with radical threats to break *every* check and balance. This week, Democrats openly threatened to destroy the Senate filibuster, a traditional mechanism for restraining bare majorities, most recently used by Democrats themselves to stymie COVID-19 relief funding. They also threatened to add new states to the union, specifically citing federal territories they believe will elect Democrats; and to pack the Supreme Court, reestablishing a Democratic-appointed majority by adding new seats.

These actions aren't merely violative of constitutional principles and the founding philosophy. They are dangerous. Imagine a 55-vote Democratic majority in a 104-seat body, cramming through a gun confiscation measure, greenlit by a 13-member court packed by Democrats. Will red states simply acquiesce to this overt seizure of power, to this absurd rewriting of the constitutional bargain? Why should they?

All of which means that the 2020 presidential race has now become a referendum on the Democrats, not President Donald Trump. Democratic candidate Joe Biden's inherent campaign pledge was a return to stability, not a leap into revolution. But by threatening the institutional architecture, Biden's campaign has become just that. Now Americans will be forced to choose between the vulgarity of Donald Trump – a vulgarity and boorishness, however off-putting, that has not threatened constitutional rights – and a vengeful Democratic Party threatening to remold the country from the top down.

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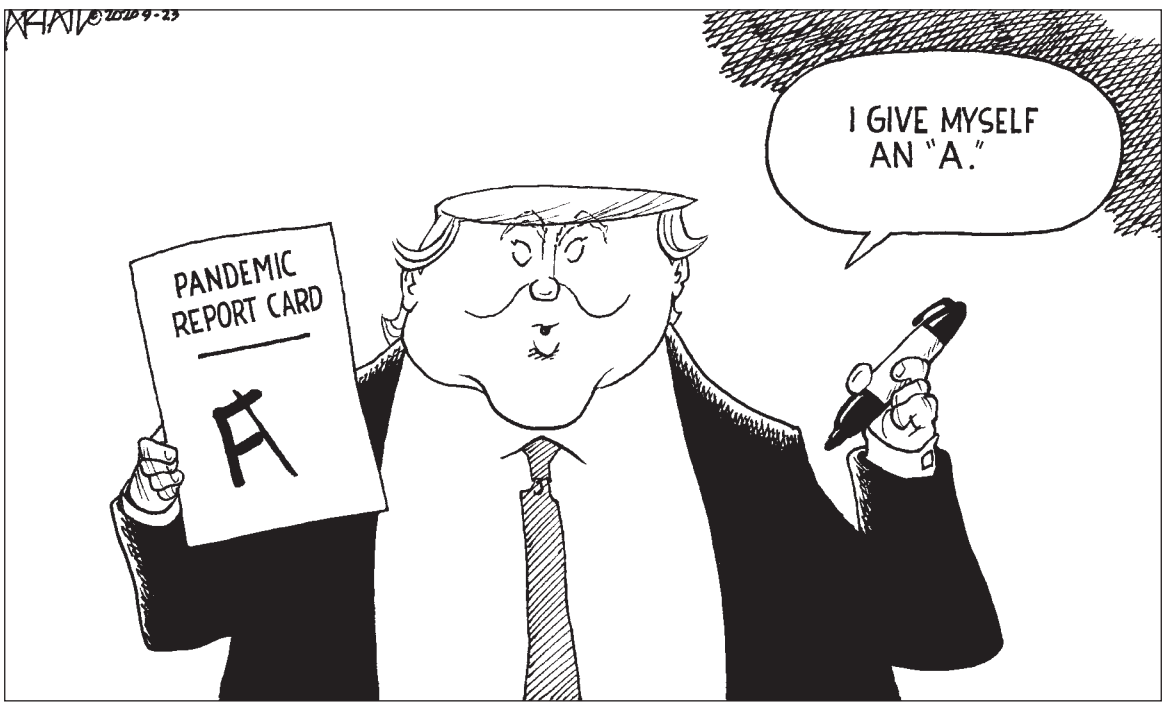
LETTERS



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Election letters

Due to high volume, letters related to candidates and issues in upcoming elections will be limited to 300 words.

Time for Upton to be retired

Editor,

I've lived in Southwest Michigan my entire life. For all 20 of those years, I've had the same Congressman. In fact – he's been in office for over a decade longer than that.

On Nov. 4 I will be voting for Fred Upton's replacement, Jon Hoadley, a fantastic state legislator who understands the issues Southwest Michiganders face and is ready to be a champion on our side from day one.

Although I can't wait to see Jon Hoadley win in November, I am thankful to Rep. Upton for one thing. His representation – or lack thereof – has energized new leaders from across Southwest Michigan to step up and say enough is enough. Fred has come to embody the type of politics that people on both sides of the aisle hate.

When I get upset about Upton's championing of bills that have made prescription drugs more expensive, I look toward Chokwe Pitchford, running for state representative in Michigan's 79th District, with a plan to expand affordable access to medicines.

When I'm annoyed by Upton's consistent votes to defund our schools and de-prioritize the children of Southwest Michigan, I look toward Dan VandenHeede, a longtime teacher running for state representative in Michigan's 78th District, to bring the sorely needed perspective of a principled educator to Lansing.

When I get angry about Fred's inaction despite decades in office, I look towards proven leaders like Rayonte Bell and Rich Eicholz, who are running for commissioner to get things done for the people of Berrien County.

On Nov. 4, I'm voting with determination to make sure that Fred Upton doesn't get a 16th term in office. But I'm also voting out of excitement. In this election, we don't just have someone to vote against – we also have people to get excited about voting for.

So, thanks Fred. Your time is up, but thanks for helping to convince a new slate of leaders that are focused on actually getting things done on our behalf to step up. That, I appreciate.

Lucas Carroll
New Buffalo

Support Tomasini for LMC board

Editor,

I would encourage readers to support MaryJo Tomasini in her bid for re-election to the Board of Trustees of LMC. During her tenure on the board, Mary Jo has been an active participant in the many accomplishments the board has brought about. Among those accomplishments: establishing of Lake Michigan Vintners, the Midwest's first commercial teaching winery, opening of the Hanson Technology Center and the Fab Lab and offered memberships to students and community members, establishing Berrien County Fifth Year Early/Middle College program to offer college credit to high school students, and purchasing the Western Michigan University building, naming it for LMC donor Edward Todd Center for Business, Education and Computer Information System programs.

As a graduate of LMC, MaryJo is aware of the benefits of receiving a quality education right in our own community. From the foundation she received at LMC and with her excellent management and leadership skills, she has built a thriving business here in Southwest Michigan. Her successful business has been recognized locally and nationally. They have achieved success in supporting area businesses in promotional programs, as well as outside our region. Additionally, through the culture that Mary Jo has created within her company, they have been recognized as one of the area's top employers, offering a positive and supportive work environment.

MaryJo is well connected with organizations locally and around the country. This affords her the opportunity to see the kind of educational preparation needed for employment in many types of businesses and organizations. Bringing back this information to LMC leadership is valuable.

MaryJo is a true LMC evangelist. Her experience already attained as a board member makes her a perfect choice to be re-elected.

Please vote for Mary Jo Tomasini, LMC Board, Nov. 3.

Ren Baldwin
St. Joseph

State can support child care options

Editor,

As we work together to rebuild a healthy state and a healthy economy, I want you to know that I'm doing everything I can to ensure that every member of our community is brought along in the recovery. As Berrien County families begin to resume their lives safely and sensibly, I'm working in our state capitol to remove barriers and slash red tape so hardworking families have more resources available to them.

Access to childcare was among the most important issues facing working families in Michigan before the pandemic, and it certainly is now. As some schools choose to go virtual, and traditional after-school activities are canceled or go digital, families shouldn't have to choose between caring for their child or their career.

In 2018, a Center for American Progress survey found women were 40 percent more likely than men to make job decisions – be it leave the workforce or cut down their hours – to care for their child than pursue their own careers. In 2016 alone, more than 2 million parents across the country made career sacrifices due to problems with childcare.

We're at a crossroads where we as a state can do the right thing and bring cost-effective change to Michigan's childcare system, or we can continue down a path that is going to force more and more working parents – a disproportionate number of women – out of their careers. I don't know about you, but I am not letting that happen on my watch.

My legislation is simple and is a common-sense step we can all take together. My bill states that, upon approval from LARA, a family childcare home could care for two additional unrelated school-age children during before- or after-school care hours, or a group childcare home could care for four additional unrelated school-age children during those hours.

My bill passed out of committee with bipartisan support and is now before the House Ways and Means Committee. In the coming days and weeks, I'll continue my efforts to expand this desperately needed service in Michigan. Working together, we're taking necessary steps to make our community and state a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

Rep. Pauline Wendzel
Coloma

Vote as if your life depends on it

Editor,

Welcome to the 21st century! It's taken just 20 years, 12 of them under Bush and Trump – the two dumbest U.S. presidents we've ever had – for our democracy to reach the lowest and most precarious point in its history. The founders of the Constitution made many mistakes, but among the worst was their assumption that human beings are essentially moral in nature, and consequently that if granted the freedom to do so, could be counted on to choose leaders of sufficiently high moral character to at least do their jobs. We have proven them wrong, and are now facing the very dire consequences.

The election of Donald Trump in 2016 was a freak accident. And no one was more surprised, and probably terrified, than Trump himself. Equipped with nothing more than the basest, most depraved instincts that had gotten him thus far in life, he stumbled onto the key to his own survival, if no one else's: "be yourself," a dubious pearl of wisdom as it turns out, but it was all he needed. The feedback started pouring in. The malleable multitudes roared "down to Earth," "plain-spoken," "from the hip" – it didn't matter what he said, no matter how preposterous or spurious, it was how he said it, and they couldn't get enough of it. He became an overnight superstar – almost a deity.

Of course, Trump could never have pulled it off without the support of Fox News, Twitter, Putin, Mitch McConnell, white supremacists and the rapidly growing legions of conspiracy theorists. But what do they have to gain, you might ask? I guess we'll begin to find out soon enough. That is, unless somehow, with phenomenal luck and superhuman diligence, morality, decency, justice and sanity win the day instead. This will only happen if enough of us care enough to do everything in our power to make it happen.

Your vote has never counted more. That's why Trump & Co. are pulling out all the stops they can to prevent it. Vote for Joe Biden and Kamala Harris as if your life depended on it – because it does! And don't forget the Senate. Taking back control of the Senate is every bit as crucial as the presidency if we are ever going to be able to begin to repair the damage they have done to this country.

Scott Elliott
Benton Harbor

BLM's ideology would harm Black lives

Editor,

Imagine for a moment that a group of like-minded individuals got together and decided to form an official Marxist/socialist/communist organization in the United States. Contemplating a name for the new organization, one of the participants says, "Well, we certainly can't call it the Marxist/Socialist/Communist Club of America because a vast majority of Americans wouldn't support it."

Someone else pipes up and says, "I know, let's call it the American Motherhood and Apple Pie League; nearly all Americans are enthusiastically in favor of motherhood and apple pie."

Finally, someone at the back of the room stands up and says, "You're on the right track, but here's a better idea – we should name our organization 'Black Lives Matter.' Most people of all races and cultures will think it's a civil rights advocacy group and give it their overwhelming support. If anyone speaks out against our group, we can cow them into silence by showing up in their town, or their place of business, or on their front porch, and loudly scream obscenities and accuse them of hate speech, racism and bigotry."

This is what's going on, folks. Don't take my word for it; do a little research on the founding members of BLM. The group's radical Marxist agenda has nothing to do with improving Black lives; it's purpose is to undo the basic building block of our society – the family – and replace it with the state, and destroy the economic system that has lifted more people from poverty than any other in the world. Left unchecked, Black lives and all lives will be irreparably harmed.

Thomas McCort
New Troy

Fire Trump over his COVID-19 failures

Editor,

Red alert: The coming election is the most important one in our lifetimes. Of the myriad issues facing voters on Nov. 3, one stands above all the rest: the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on our lives and how it's been deliberately mishandled by our president. It affects all of us, whether we believe in its existence or try to deny the seriousness of the situation, as President Trump did and does to this day.

Back in January of this year, Joe Biden wrote an op-ed and set forth a plan to deal with the incoming disaster that most of us were blissfully ignorant of at the time. Yet the person who heads our federal government admitted in taped calls to Bob Woodward that he was warned and knew all about the gravity of the disease while at the same time assuring the public it would disappear as if magic. He abdicated his sacred duty to keep the American people informed and safe. Now, eight months later, U.S. deaths from the virus are rising to 200,000, with over 6 million of us known to have been infected so far, and Trump's plan appears to let lots more of us until we reach "herd mentality," as he put it.

The Trump government and its enablers have presided over a colossal failure. He and his ilk need to go.

Voters, it's up to you. Your vote is your voice. Tell Donald J. Trump, "You're fired!" And tell Joe Biden, "You're hired." We can do this.

Nancy Braun
Coloma

Mourners pay respects to Ginsburg

By MARK SHERMAN and MATTHEW BARAKAT
Associated Press

Andrew Harnik / AP

The flag-draped casket of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, carried by Supreme Court police officers, arrives in the Great Hall at the Supreme Court in Washington, Wednesday. Ginsburg, 87, died of cancer on Sept. 18.

WASHINGTON — With crowds of admirers swelling outside, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg was remembered Wednesday at the court by grieving family, colleagues and friends as a prophet for justice who persevered against long odds to become an American icon.

The court's eight justices, masked along with everyone else because of the coronavirus pandemic, gathered for the first time in more than six months for the ceremony to mark Ginsburg's death from cancer last week at age 87 after 27 years on the court.

Washington already is consumed with talk of Ginsburg's replacement, but Chief Justice John Roberts focused on his longtime colleague.

The best words to describe Ginsburg are "tough, brave, a fighter, a winner," Roberts said, but also "thoughtful, careful, compassionate, honest."

The woman who late in life became known in admiration as the Notorious RBG "wanted to be an opera virtuoso, but became a rock star instead," Roberts said. Ginsburg's two children, Jane and James, and other family members sat on one side of the casket, across from the justices.

With her portrait on display nearby, Ginsburg's flag-draped casket sat in the court's Great Hall for the private service before it was moved outside so the public could honor her. Health precautions because of the pandemic led the court to limit the number of people inside the building, which has been closed to the public since March.

Through the day, thousands of people paid their respects to the women's rights champion and leader of the court's liberal bloc. As darkness fell, the line stretched nearly half a mile from the court as people filed past. The casket was to be on public view until 10 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday.

Inside earlier, the members of the court were arrayed in their seats in order of seniority, now changed by Ginsburg's death so that Justices Clarence Thomas and Stephen Breyer flanked Roberts. Breyer took the spot Ginsburg held when the court last gathered for a justice's memorial, in 2019 following the death of John Paul Stevens.

Rabbi Lauren Holtzblatt of Washington, D.C., compared Ginsburg to a prophet who imagined a world of greater equality and then worked to make it happen.

"This was Justice Ginsburg's life's work. To insist that the Constitution deliver on its promise, that we the people would include all the people. She carried out that work in every chapter of her life," said Holtzblatt, whose husband, Ari, once worked as a law clerk to Ginsburg.

Outside, some people waiting to pass by the casket said they had driven through the night. One of those in line, Heather Setzler, a physician assistant from Raleigh, North Carolina, said she named her two cats Hillary Ruth and Kiki, in honor of Ginsburg's childhood nickname.

"There was just something about her. She was so diminutive yet turned out to be such a giant," Setzler said, wearing a face mask adorned with small portraits of Ginsburg.

Rachel Linderman and Rychelle Weseman of Olean, New York, traveled to the nation's capital because they said they wanted to be counted among Ginsburg's followers and demonstrate how important her legacy is to Americans.

They said they were buoyed as they waited in line to be surrounded by people who felt the same way.

"I liked that I was with like-minded people," Linderman said. "I feel energized,."

"Where we live, we're usually in the minority," Weseman said.

Prominent visitors Wednesday included Vice President Mike Pence and his wife, Karen, along with former President Bill Clinton, who appointed Ginsburg to the court in 1993, and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, whom Ginsburg hoped would name her successor. President Donald Trump, who traded insults with Ginsburg four years ago, was expected to pay his respects on Thursday.

Since Ginsburg's death Friday evening, people have been leaving flowers, notes, placards and all manner of Ginsburg paraphernalia outside the court in tribute. Court workers cleared away the items and cleaned the court plaza and sidewalk in advance of Wednesday's ceremony.

Inside, the entrance to the courtroom, along with Ginsburg's chair and place on the bench next to Roberts, have been draped in black, a long-standing court custom. These visual signs of mourning, which in years past have reinforced the sense of loss, will largely go unseen this year. The court begins its new term Oct. 5, but the justices will not be in the courtroom and instead will hear arguments by phone.

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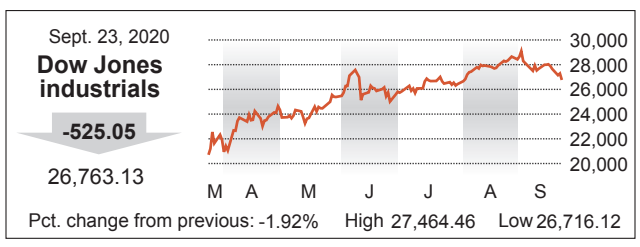

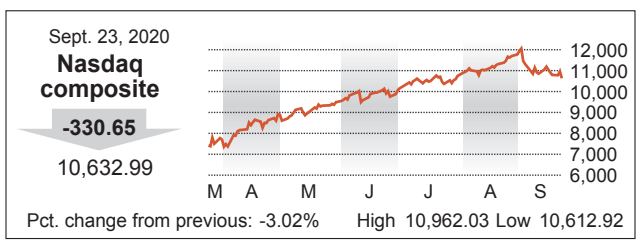

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Apple Inc s	AAPL	53.15	137.98	107.12	-4.69	-4.2	▲	▼	▲
AutoZone	AZO	684.91	1274.41	1128.95	-37.76	-3.2	▼	▼	▲
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CMS Eng	CMS	46.03	69.12	59.57	-1.12	-1.8	▼	▲	▲
CocaCola	KO	36.27	60.07	48.21	-1.45	-2.9	▼	▲	▲
Comcast	CMCSA	31.71	47.74	45.36	-.83	-1.8	▲	▲	▲
Deere	DE	106.14	225.38	214.55	-3.03	-1.4	▼	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	79.07	153.41	123.28	-3.93	-3.1	▼	▼	▲
DollarTree	DLTR	60.20	119.71	86.72	-.08	-0.1	▼	▼	▼
ExxonMbl	XOM	30.11	73.12	34.39	-1.14	-3.2	▼	▼	▼
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FordM	F	3.96	9.60	6.64	-.14	-2.1	▼	▼	▲
GenElec	GE	5.48	13.26	6.11	-.14	-2.2	▼	▼	▼
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Microsoft	MSFT	132.52	232.86	200.59	-6.83	-3.3	▲	▼	▼
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Perrigo	PRGO	40.01	63.86	45.37	-1.18	-2.5	▼	▼	▼
Pfizer	PFE	27.88	40.97	36.00	-.25	-0.7	▼	▼	▲
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TractSupp	TSCO	63.89	155.56	139.93	-1.68	-1.2	▲	▼	▲
UPS B	UPS	82.00	167.36	161.55	-.34	-0.2	▲	▲	▲
VerizonCm	VZ	48.84	62.22	58.91	-.91	-1.5	▼	▼	▲
WEC Engy	WEC	68.01	109.53	93.06	-2.34	-2.5	▼	▲	▲
WalMart	WMT	102.00	151.33	135.99	-2.32	-1.7	▲	▲	▲
WalgBoots	WBA	33.88	64.50	35.06	-.66	-1.8	▼	▼	▼
Wendys Co	WEN	6.82	24.04	21.01	-.06	-0.3	▲	▼	▼
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XPO Logis	XPO	38.47	100.18	83.04	-.70	-0.8	▼	▼	▲

MARRIAGE LICENSES

ST. JOSEPH – The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Danielle Ann Barenie of Niles and Donald James Brown Jr., of Edwardsburg.

Monique Vilbrun Belizaire of Berrien Springs and Marc Charles Belizaire of Jacksonville, Fla.

Kloe Marie Belush and Gary Steven Cletus Tackett both of Chicago.

Jenette Lousie Black and Paul Leslie Fortine both of Buchanan.

Antonette Rose Brandes of Libertyville, Ill., and Alexander Paul Kendzior of Third Lake, Ill.

Debora Kay Clement and Robert Benjamin Lutz both of St. Joseph.

Kelly Anne Cline and Kyle David Wade Kerber both of Benton Harbor.

Chelsea Elizabeth Cloud and John Joseph Sordyl IV, both of St. Joseph.

Dominique Rose Ellis and Quinten Cephus Murphy both of Niles.

Stephanie Lynn Georgia and David William Hedtke Jr., both of Bridgman.

Amy Nicole King of South Bend and Marshall Frank Kohli of Goshen, Ind.

Liudmila Aleksandrovna Komarova of Granger, Ind., and Christian Enrique Ledesma of Berrien Springs.

Jennifer Sue Lasiewicz and Todd Norman Webster both of Eau Claire.

Jenna Kay McHugh of St. Joseph and Dylan Jeffery Elkins of Richland, Wash.

Jessica Renee Manry and Steven Ray Shepard both of Niles.

Mara Samantha Miller and Joseph Michael Spinuzza both of Chicago.

Elizabeth Pauline Osborn of Berrien Springs and Brendon Scott Peterson of Marcellus.

Alanna Elizabeth Pacelli of Chicago and Bryan James Burda of Crete, Ill.

Laura Sue Poetz and Jeffrey David Schroeder both of Fishers, Ind.

Kylie Nicole Svorec and Brandon Len Glupker both of St. Joseph.

Mercedes Kay Trine and Nathan Riley Splese both of St. Joseph.

Shelby Elise Victory and Stephen Adam Sitko both of Denver.

Heather Renee Ward of Coloma and Michael Scott Dennis of Benton Harbor.

Kara Marie West of Stevensville and Scott Jeffrey Caudell of Bridgman.

Faith Noel Patricia Matilda White and Isaiah Benjamin Kelly both of Niles.

Kora Mylene Wolfe of Jacksonville, Fla., and Devin James Sheridan of St. Joseph.

BIRTHS

Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Baroda – Boy, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, Kelsey Finehout and Kristian Hertsel, 3:42 p.m. Sept. 16.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 9 pounds, 13 ounces, Dashanee Butler and Lyonte Burnett Jr., 7:35 a.m. Sept. 11.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 6 pounds, 8 ounces, Crystal Cooper and Justin Rose, 3:17 p.m. Sept. 13.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, Pamela Keehn, 7:35 p.m. Sept. 2.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, Danielle and Drew Lowery, 10:40 a.m. Sept. 11.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, Kayla Henderson and Casey Allen Jr., 3:45 a.m. Sept. 11.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, Jennifer and Jonathon Mockeller, 4:49 p.m. Sept. 12.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, Kanisha Moore and Fredrick Willis, 2:54 p.m. Sept. 9.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 5 pounds, 2 ounces, Tania Warren, 8:54 p.m. Sept. 10.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, Adrianna Warren Cox, 5:01 a.m. Sept. 11.

Berrien Springs – Boy, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, Catherine and John Shafer, 9:01 a.m. Sept. 11.

Bridgman – Boy, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, Jennifer Russell and Ryan Crain, 1:39 p.m. Sept. 9.

Coloma – Girl, 9 pounds, 10 ounces, Rachel and Bryce Thomas, 6:42 a.m. Sept. 18.

Dowagiac – Girl, 5 pounds, 13 ounces, Michala Froehlich and Bradley Green, 5:22 p.m. Sept. 15.

Eau Claire – Girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, Kala M. Kaiser and Daryle Whalen, 11:18 p.m. Sept. 15.

St. Joseph – Boy, 9 pounds, 14 ounces, Chelsea and Evan Crisler, 1:26 p.m. Sept. 13.

Stevensville – Girl, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, Melissa and Matthew Foster, 3:36 a.m. Sept. 9.

OBITUARIES

Death notices

Jack Matthew Cronk, 76, of St. Joseph died Sept. 22, 2020 at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Richard Kendall, 71, of Niles died Sept. 23, 2020. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Matilda C. Jones

Oct. 15, 1936 – Sept. 19, 2020

Matilda C. 'Mutt' Jones, 83, of Niles passed away Sept. 19, 2020, at her home surrounded by surrounded by family.

Mutt was born in Niles on Oct. 25, 1936, to the late William and Emma (Wesner) Schlutt. She is preceded in death by her parents and her brothers: Elvin, Louis, Nelson, Edward and Carl Schlutt and her sisters: Shirley Rundborg and Doris Freehling.

Mutt married Walter L. "WL or Dub" Jones on Sept. 7, 1957 in Baroda. They recently celebrated 63 years of marriage.

Mutt is survived by her husband, WL, and their children: Debra (Brian) Floor of Niles and Jeff (Jane) Jones of Lawton; grandchildren: Cody (Brittany) Floor, Devon Floor, Emma and Ethan Jones as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Mutt worked at Clark Equipment Co. for 42 years and retired as a payroll supervisor. After retirement, she worked part time for Marshall Fields for several years. She was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and took on many roles and positions through the years as a senior member of the congregation.

Mutt felt it was important to give back to the community and was involved with the Lunch Bunch Program at the Salvation Army and Trinity Lunch at Trinity Episcipal Church. Mutt also enjoyed being and staying active. She golfed and bowled on leagues for over 30 years. More recently was very active in the shuffleboard league at their Florida home where they loved to spend the winter. She loved to dance, play cards and play Mahjong.

Family and holiday traditions were very important to Mutt. She loved the holidays and getting together with family and friends. Christmas Eve was always celebrated at their house with all her children and grandchildren. She was an exceptional cook, her potato salad, spaghetti salad and pot roast were legendary, and when visitors stopped in while in Florida, she would bake Lemon Meringue pie from scratch using the fresh lemons they grew at their Florida home.

Mutt knew what was really important, and her faith, family and friends were things she held most dear.

In keeping with Mutt's wishes, cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will be be Friday, Oct. 16, at Hope Community Church. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon. Celebration of life immediately following.

Lisa Kay Henrich

Sept. 24, 1976 – Sept. 21, 2020

Lisa Kay Henrich, 43, of Three Oaks died Monday, Sept. 21, 2020, in the comfort of her family's presence.

She was born Sept. 24, 1976, in Michigan City, Ind., the second of two daughters born to David and Dona Schlundt.

She married Daniel Henrich, Aug. 19, 2006, in their backyard in Three Oaks. Following the ceremony, on a busy Saturday afternoon, they went on a hayride complete with an antique farm tractor right down the middle of Elm Street. Lisa sat next to her new husband on a bale of hay waving to the people in downtown Three Oaks like she was the queen herself.

Lisa was born with a full head of black hair that stood straight up and a smile that lit up every room. She loved all things pink; Barbies, Care Bears, the Muppets and Strawberry Shortcake. She enjoyed swimming and was also known to play a mean game of football in the backyard with the neighborhood boys.

She was in Girl Scouts, Cherub Choir and took piano lessons. As a teenager she was a hard-working student who played flute in the band, ran track, played basketball, sang in the choir, participated in Drama Club, Student Senate and was a member of the National Honor Society. Lisa was salutatorian of the New Buffalo High School Class of 1994 and went on to further her education at Lake Michigan College. She was a reporter for the New Buffalo Times, Harbor Country News and the South County Gazette. She often took the pictures that accompanied her articles.

Lisa worked for Dwyer instruments, Hardings, Barney's, New Buffalo Pharmacy, Dairy Queen, New Buffalo Animal Hospital, and many other places; always opting to work locally in an environment where she would be surrounded with people. She adored seeing her friends and neighbors where she worked and with her ever bubbly personality and kind uplifting spirit, even strangers found a friend Lisa.

Lisa was fiercely devoted to her family, a very loving daughter, sister, aunt, and godmother. Lisa completely adored, loved and was dedicated to her husband. Lisa had complete unconditional love for her daughter Abby, and she was a phenomenal mom. Lisa will be remembered as an incredible person, full of love, with a smile and a hug for everyone, a beautiful voice and a head full of gorgeous blonde curly hair.

Lisa will be greatly missed by family and friends. She is survived by her husband of 14 years, Daniel Henrich of Three Oaks; one daughter, Abigail Henrich of Three Oaks; her father and "bonus" mother, David and Alice Schlundt of Mishawaka, Ind.; one sister, Lori Petersen of New Buffalo; and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Dona Schlundt.

Family and friends will gather at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 25, in Three Oaks United Methodist Church, 2 E. Sycamore St., Three Oaks, MI 49031. Lisa will be laid to rest in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Three Oaks.

The family prefers contributions in Lisa's memory to be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 954 W. Washington Blvd., #305, Chicago, IL 60607.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Pobocik Chapel Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks. Please share a memory or a message online: wagnercares.com.

Getting it straight

The Herald-Palladium makes every effort to ensure accuracy in its stories.

If you think there is an error, please contact the editor of the page on which it occurred. If you are unsure of whom to contact, call Local News Editor Dale Brewer at 429-3797.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

Carlene Proctor of Dowagiac is coordinating the Sept. 30 bike-a-thon to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The event will start at 10 a.m. in the Dowagiac Union High School parking lot and continue to 3 p.m. Riders raise fund by getting pledges from individuals for the miles they ride. Proctor said five laps in the parking lot equals 1 mile. The bike-a-thon is dedicated to Jason Ferguson, 10, one of more than 13,000 patients treated at the hospital since it opened in 1962. Ferguson underwent surgery and chemotherapy treatments in 1994 for melanoma. Recent tests show he is now cancer free.

1985 – 35 years ago

The Four Flags Area Apple Festival Grand Parade steps off from Second and Sycamore streets on Saturday. Janet Pelkey, parade chairman, said there are at least 102 units scheduled to take part. Gloria Cooper, Southwestern Michigan College public information director and secretary of the Niles School Board, is the parade's grand marshal. Awards will be presented in 11 categories. Floats in various divisions will receive a trophy, as will the best high school band, clown, baton and horse units.

1970 – 50 years ago

Art students in Gobles have set December as a deadline for the completion of a puzzle that has nearly 80,000 pieces. The puzzle is a 4-by-32-foot mosaic of four panels, with each panel representing different stages in man's educational process, from preschool to adulthood. When completed, the mosaic will be placed in the school's library as part of a growing collection of art contributions to the school. Each panel is covered with miniature ceramic tiles, about 600 to a square foot. Each tile is individually placed over a design and glued and later cemented.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Sept. 24, the 268th day of 2020. There are 98 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On September 24, 1789, President George Washington signed a Judiciary Act establishing America's federal court system and creating the post of attorney general.

On this date:

In 1869, thousands of businessmen were ruined in a Wall Street panic known as "Black Friday" after financiers Jay Gould and James Fisk attempted to corner the gold market.

In 1890, the president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Wilford Woodruff, wrote a manifesto renouncing the practice of plural marriage, or polygamy.

In 1955, President Dwight D. Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.

In 1960, the USS Enterprise, the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, was launched at Newport News, Virginia. "The Howdy Doody Show" ended a nearly 13-year run with its final telecast on NBC.

In 1964, the situation comedy "The Munsters" premiered on CBS television. The adventures series "Daniel Boone," starring Fess Parker, debuted on NBC.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Mostly Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Few Showers
77°	54°	80° / 61°	77° / 62°	73° / 56°	66° / 52°

Local Outlook

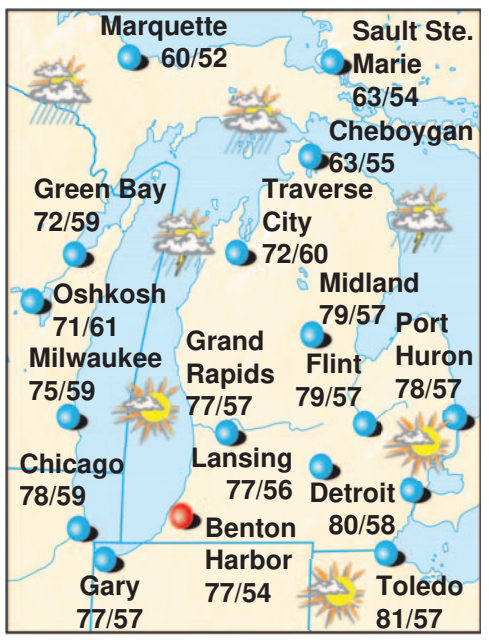
Today we will see mostly sunny skies, high temperature of 77°, humidity of 57%. Southwest wind 3 to 8 mph. Expect mostly clear skies tonight, overnight low of 54°. South southeast wind 2 to 5 mph. Friday, skies will be sunny, high of 80°, humidity of 50%.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	7:35 a.m.
Sunset	7:38 p.m.
Moonrise	3:57 p.m.
Moonset	12:07 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
10/1	10/9	10/16	10/23

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	79°
Low	60°
Normal High	72°
Normal Low	50°
Record High	95° in 2017
Record Low	39° in 2012

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	2.10"
Normal for month	2.46"
Year to date	27.92"
Normal Year to date	28.00"

Air Quality

Yesterday	61
Main Offender	Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

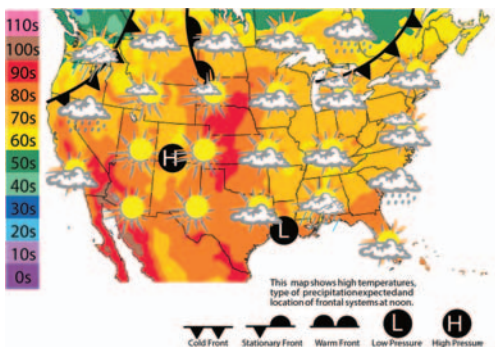
Weather Trivia

How many thunderstorms happen at the same time?

Answer: On average, over 1,800 are in progress across the Earth.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Sept. 24, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, SSW wind 8 to 10 kt. Waves around 1 ft. Water temperature 66 degrees. Tonight, S wind 5 to 8 kt. Partly cloudy. Waves around 1 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 60s and 70s. East wind 1 to 8 mph. Expect partly cloudy to mostly cloudy skies Friday with highs in the 70s. South wind 3 to 10 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly sunny with highs in the 70s and 80s. Southwest wind 3 to 8 mph. Expect sunny skies Friday with highs in the 70s and 80s. South wind 3 to 9 mph.

Dear Donald, Dear Mr. President: A Trump-Nixon '80s tale

By NANCY BENAC
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — They were two men in Manhattan who craved the same thing: validation. One was a brash, young real estate developer looking to put his stamp on New York, the other a disgraced elder statesman bent on repairing his reputation.

That's how a thirty-something Donald Trump and a seventy-ish Richard Nixon struck up a decade-long, fulsome correspondence in the 1980s that meandered from football and real estate to Vietnam and media strategy.

The letters between once and future presidents, revealed for the first time in an exhibit that opens Thursday at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library & Museum, show the two men engaged in something of an exercise in mutual affirmation. The museum shared the letters exclusively with The Associated Press ahead of the exhibit's opening.

"I think that you are one of this country's great men, and it was an honor to spend an evening with you," Trump writes to Nixon in June 1982, less than eight years after Nixon resigned the presidency during the Watergate scandal. The two had been spotted together at the "21" nightclub and Trump was writing Nixon to thank him for forwarding a photo.

The next fall, it is Nixon chiming in.

"Let me be so presumptuous as to offer a little free advice (which is worth, incidentally, exactly what it costs!)" Nixon writes to Trump. Nixon, who played football in college and never lost his love for the game, then unspools detailed thoughts on how Trump should handle the New Jersey Generals football team that he had recently purchased and would fold by 1986. (Nixon included plenty of shoutouts for the underappreciated linemen, his old position.)

Trump, for his part, is unabashed about one of his aims for the relationship: "One of my great ambitions is to have the Nixons as residents in Trump Tower," he writes that October.

But after the Nixons toured Trump's flagship development on Fifth Avenue, the ex-president wrote that his wife "was impressed as I was but feels at this time she should not undertake the ordeal of a move." She had suffered a mild stroke that August.

Richard Carson / Houston Chronicle via AP

Donald Trump shakes hands with former President Richard Nixon at a tribute gala to Nellie Connally at the Westin Galleria ballroom in Houston, Texas, on March 11, 1989.

So it went, the patter of "Dear Donald" and "Dear Mr. President."

Trump, putting his usual self-congratulatory stamp on the exchanges, said shortly after the 2016 election that he didn't know Nixon "but he would write me letters. It was very interesting. He always wanted me to run for office."

What motivated the correspondence between a young man seeking a bright future and an ex-president with a dark past? Nixon expert Luke Nichter, a professor at Texas A&M-Central Texas, says the two men "saw something similar in each other – that toughness, that guts, even being beaten up and coming back."

At Trump's age, says Nichter: "I can't imagine trying to befriend an ex-president. ... Somehow, I think they both pulled it off and I think they both served a need for each other."

Their letters didn't have far to travel as they crisscrossed Manhattan: Trump wrote from his office in Trump Tower; Nixon from his at Federal Plaza, about four miles away.

The two men bonded over themes that resonate today: a shared distrust of the media, a desire to maximize TV ratings, the idea of using people as "props," and more.

Writing about the Generals' broadcast potential, Nixon tells Trump, "The people in the stands, apart from what they pay for their tickets, are indispensable props for the television broadcast which in the future is where the real money lies."

It was a powerful lesson from a past president for a future one who would shamelessly inflate his reputation as a mogul over 14 seasons on "The Apprentice" and later turn his presidency into its own reality show.

The two men commiserated over their shared mistrust of the press. In 1990, Nixon reached out to Trump when the developer's business deals were tanking and he couldn't pay his bills, writing: "Dear Donald – I know nothing about the intricacies of your business enterprises but the massive media attack on you puts me in your corner!"

Trump, even now, is never one to let a grievance against the press go unaired, his strained relations with the media unsurpassed by Nixon or other presidents.

Whatever bound the two men as friends, their letters serve as a sort of ink-blot test for readers.

John Dean, well versed in Nixon's personality after serving as his White House counsel during the Watergate years, sees his old boss and Trump picking up "the waves of each other's personalities" in their letters.

"These are two authoritarian personalities who would have a natural affinity for each other," said Dean, who helped expose the Watergate scandal and is a harsh critic of Trump.

Republican Newt Gingrich, familiar with both men, says Trump may have learned a bit of foreign policy from listening to Nixon, but he suspects the young developer also just liked the idea of knowing a historic figure.

"It was more a personal validation for Trump that he was becoming somebody, that a Nixon would pay attention to him," Gingrich said.

As for Trump's public thoughts on Nixon, over the years he's blown hot and cold.

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will start at 1 p.m., with Miss Blossomtime following at 3 p.m. More information can be found on the Blossomtime Festival Inc. Facebook page.

The 19 contestants competing for 2020 Miss Blossomtime are Miss Hartford Destiny Chacon, Miss Baroda Isabella Parker, Miss St. Joseph Gabrielle Dilley, Miss Bloomingdale Korina Benavidez, Miss Berrien Springs Faith Kittleson, Miss Coloma Lilly Trapp, Miss Spirit Katie Zachary, Miss Heart Raelyn DeGroff, Miss Bangor Erika Villegas, Miss Stevensville Alyssa Steinke, Miss Buchanan Jade Smith, Miss Cassopolis Tristin Gless, Miss Bridgman Rachel Scharnowske, Miss Benton Harbor Jana Willis, Miss Watervliet Sophia Tavolacci, Miss South Haven Katherine Schooley, Miss Lawrence Kloee Kelsey, Miss Eau Claire/Sodus Kayla Arend and Miss Edwardsburg Sadie Kunze.

The 15 young men competing for 2020 Mr. Blossomtime are Mr. Baroda Ethan Weldert; three Mr. Benton Harbors, Lawrence Cohn, Jeremiah Sterling Jr. and Santrail Davis; two Mr. Berrien Springs, Skyler Sawle and Dylan Mondschein; two Mr. Bridgmans, Eric Adams and Ethan Pope; Mr. Buchanan Robert Ruth; Mr. Coloma Ethan Price; Mr. Hartford Elijah Ledesma; Mr. New Buffalo Nickolas Keen; Mr. South Haven Jackson Williams; Mr. St. Joseph Konner LaVanway; and Mr. Watervliet Dylan Tucker.

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MASTERS

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Joel E. Smilow Teen Center in Benton Harbor, where the competition was broadcast live. Supporters could also watch the competition live on the Boys & Girls Clubs of Benton Harbor Facebook page.

Even though Masters was in Indiana, she wasn't alone. Teen Center Director John Sams IV led a team of three people to Indiana to help her set up for the virtual competition.

When contacted before the competition, Masters said that even if she loses, she feels like a winner.

"I'm just really grateful to know that the youth are looking up to me and that I'm doing the right thing," she said. "I'm just really grateful to know that they considered me to represent the Midwest region in the first place. I'm really passionate about the youth. I'm really passionate about seeing change. It's an honor."

She was named the Benton Harbor Youth of the Year in February and Michigan Youth of the Year in April. Usually, the Midwest Regional Youth of the Year event is held in the spring in Chicago. But due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was delayed and held virtually.

The regional Youth of the Year winner receives a $20,000 scholarship.

Masters will now compete to be the 2020 National Youth of the Year on Oct. 6. The national winner will receive a $50,000 scholarship and a new Toyota Corolla.

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CLIMATE

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Republican from Clarklake.

Whitmer's decarbonization-by-2050 goal includes an interim target of a 28 percent reduction from 1990 greenhouse gas emission levels by 2025.

Carbon neutrality generally means getting carbon emissions as close to zero as possible, and then utilizing various "offsets" – projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions such as planting trees or increased efficiencies at power plants – to address the remainder.

It's unclear what kinds of changes the order might mean for Michigan businesses and residents. It's a framework with large goals that gives the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, with the help of a newly formed Council on Climate Solutions, the task of devising ways to get there.

The council will include the directors or director-designated representatives from nine state agencies and 14 state residents appointed by the governor, "representing the range of sectors, experiences and expertise relevant to this issue."

The council will advise EGLE in formulating and implementing a "MI Healthy Climate Plan," the state's action plan for greenhouse gas emissions. The work is to include identifying and recommending emissions-reduction strategies, and identifying solutions for communities disproportionately impacted by changing climate.

The council may establish advisory work groups, make inquiries, studies and investigations, hold hearings, and receive public comments. It may hire or retain contractors, advisors and consultants, and enter into relevant contracts "as the (EGLE) director deems advisable and necessary."

EGLE "must assist the Council in the performance of its duties and provide personnel to staff the Council," the order states.

Whitmer, in an accompanying executive directive, called on EGLE to provide her with the climate plan in draft form by Sept. 1, 2021, with a final plan by the end of that year.

A 2019 study by 18 university researchers, most of them from institutions around the Great Lakes, including Michigan State University and the University of Michigan, found that the Great Lakes Basin has warmed faster than the rest of the contiguous United States over the past 30 years. The warming is mostly tied to human activity, according to scientists.

The Midwest and the Northeast are getting more precipitation than in the past, and more of that coming in larger events, particularly in the winter and spring. Since 1951, total annual precipitation has increased by 13.6 percent in the Great Lakes region, with the amount falling in heavy storms increasing 35 percent in that time period, according to Great Lakes Integrated Sciences + Assessments, or GLISA, an Ann Arbor-based partnership between the University of Michigan and Michigan State University serving as a climate change-related regional center for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Jamesa Johnson-Greer, climate justice director for the Detroit-based nonprofit Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition, applauded Whitmer's "decisive action on climate change."

"We're dealing with a climate crisis while we're actually in the middle of another crisis, COVID-19," she said. "We're seeing the impacts of climate change right now, with the wildfires in California and the impact of the smoke actually being felt here."

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Big Ten outlook not great for MSU, Michigan

Well, the Big Ten changed its collective mind and decided to play football after all.

Al Arend
Big Al's Picks

Albeit a modified eight-game regular season with one additional game based on the final regular season standings that includes a conference championship game in mid-December. The modified regular season will begin Oct. 24, providing the league can avoid coronavirus issues.

A number of teams from other conferences have already had to postpone or cancel contests due to the virus, including Notre Dame, which announced on Tuesday it was postponing its game against Wake Forest.

As of this writing, 23 of its players were either in isolation or quarantine due to the virus.

What's in store for Michigan State and Michigan?

Six required East divisional games plus two cross-divisional games will take place during the regular season. In that regard, MSU was dealt the best hand, having to play Iowa and Northwestern, while U-M takes on Minnesota and West Division favorite Wisconsin.

According to ESPN's football power index, the Spartans are only favored in two games (Rutgers and Maryland) as apparently coach Dantonio left the cupboard bare. The Wolverines, on the other hand, are not favored in three games: Ohio State (geez, what a surprise), Penn State and Wisconsin. The Minnesota and Indiana games are considered toss-ups.

In the preseason Associated Press Top 25 poll, six Big Ten teams were rated, including Ohio State (No. 2), Penn State (No. 7), Wisconsin (No. 12), Michigan (No. 16), Minnesota (No. 19), and Iowa (No. 24).

For the record, Ohio State has beaten Michigan 15 of the last 16, but who's keeping track?

Of the Power 5 conferences, the SEC begins play this week, joining the ACC and Big 12.

Top College Game

Florida 35, Mississippi 17

The No. 5 rated Gators could be tested in this SEC opener, but I doubt it.

Top High School Game

St. Joseph 21, Okemos 20

How good is this Bears team? We'll all have a better idea after this one.

On with the forecast:

HIGH SCHOOL
Last week: 5-5, .500
FRIDAY
St. Joseph 21, Okemos 20
Lakeshore 44, Kal. Central 8
Muskegon Catholic 28, Benton Harbor 14
Berrien Springs 27, Comstock 16
Niles 23, South Haven 20
Mendon 35, Hartford 20
Watervliet 33, Fennville 17
Kal. United 30, Coloma 20
Martin 42, Bridgman 27
Wyo. Tri-unity 45, M. Lutheran 24
New Buffalo 47, Eau Claire 32
COLLEGE
Last week: 8-3, .727
TONIGHT
UAB 28, So. Alabama 20
FRIDAY
UTSA 31, Middle Tenn. 27
SATURDAY
Notre Dame 31, Wake Forest 10

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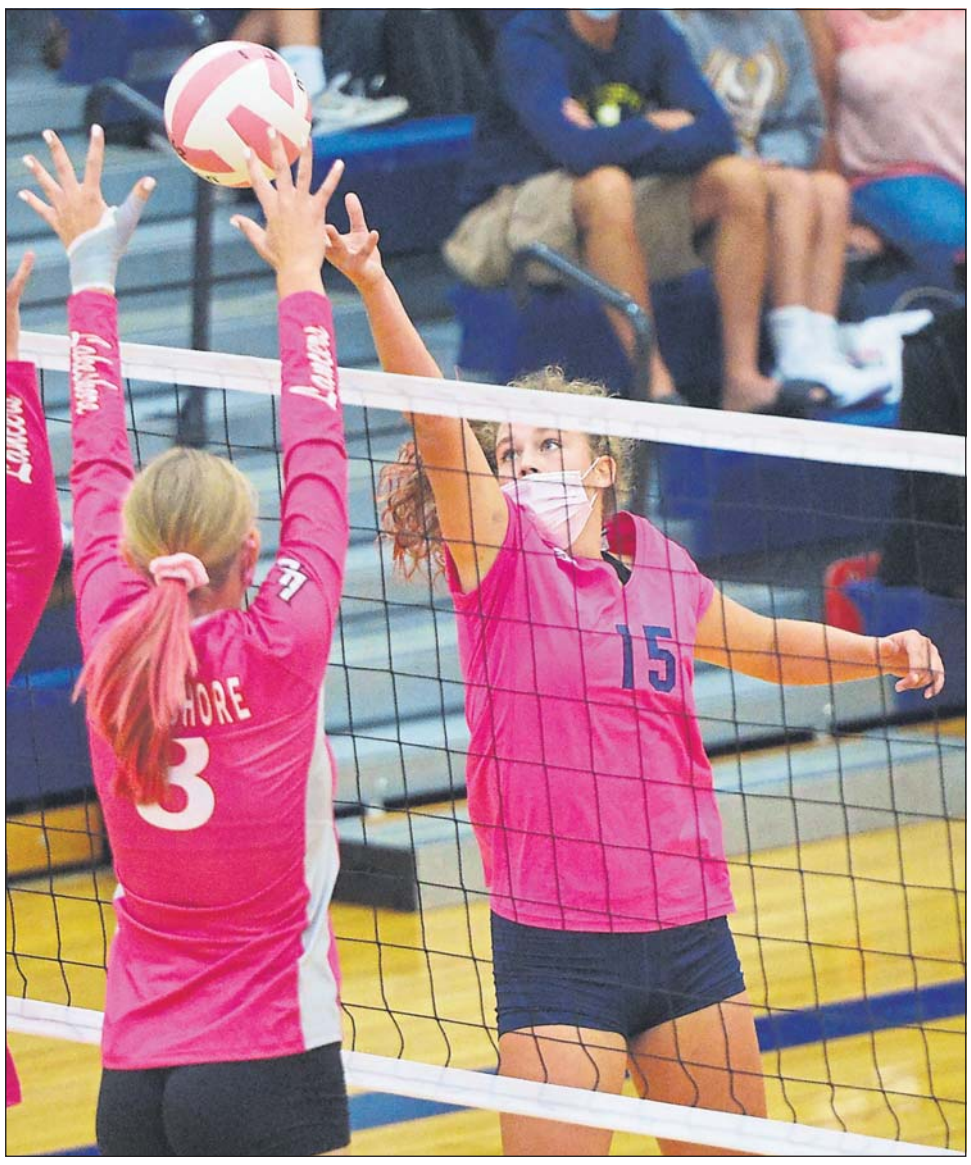

Don Campbell / HP staff
St. Joseph's Karly Klaer tries to tip a shot past Lakeshore's Jenna Donarski during Wednesday's match.

Focus on the match

St. Joseph sweeps Lakeshore in annual 'Dig Pink' volleyball clash

By BEN SANDERS
HP Sports Editor

ST. JOSEPH — Wednesday's 'Dig Pink' volleyball match between St. Joseph and Lakeshore came with fewer fans and festivities than usual.

The Bears made the best of the situation with a great performance on the court, sweeping the Lancers 25-21, 25-17, 26-24 in a Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference West Division match.

Both teams wore their traditional pink uniforms for the event, but the crowd size and fundraising efforts for breast cancer research were hampered by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"This is a huge event that

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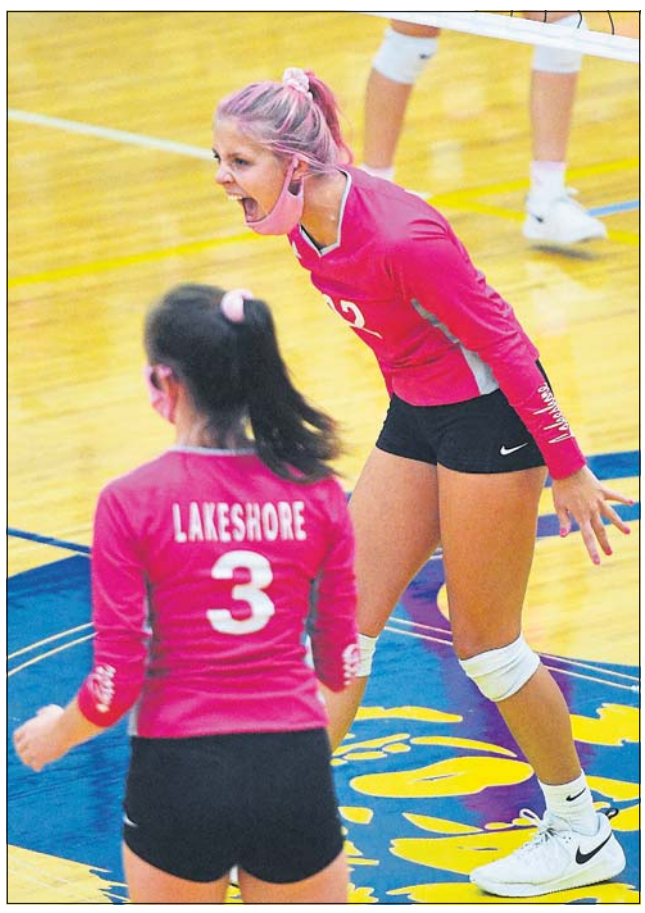

Don Campbell / HP staff
Lakeshore's Jayden Schmaltz celebrates a point against St. Joseph during the first game of Wednesday's match.

Bridgman set for Martin showdown

Bees take on Clippers in battle of top 8-man teams

By BEN SANDERS
HP Sports Editor

Bridgman's loss to Martin last season decided the inaugural Southwestern Michigan Eight-Man Football League championship.

In this shortened season, the conference won't be crowning a champion. But for the Bees, their game at Martin at 7 p.m. Friday still feels like a title tilt.

"This is a big game for them," Bridgman coach Aaron Locke said. "They're excited. It's going to be a barn-burner.

"For us, this is our championship game this year and we want it."

Both teams won their openers. Bridgman defeated Marcellus 48-30, led by Nate Necas, who rushed for 213 yards and two touchdowns.

Quarterback Reid Haskins ran for three touchdowns, threw for a score to Will Ott, and led the defense with 14 tackles. Christian Dinges added 13 tackles, and Jayce Warren returned a kickoff 80 yards for a score.

"We ran the ball very well," Locke said. "We played pretty solid defense in the first half. We got a lot of kids playing time."

Martin opened with a 60-20 victory over Wyoming Tri-unity Christian.

"(Martin) lost some guys, especially on the O-line," Locke said. "But they have a solid QB who's a very good athlete. They're a well-coached team, they're very disciplined. They're very technical offensively. Defensively they're very aggressive."

In other eight-man action, Michigan Lutheran will host Tri-unity at 5 p.m. The Titans are coming off a 31-26 victory over Eau Claire.

New Buffalo, a 54-6 winner over Bangor in its opener, is at Eau Claire this week.

SMAC

Lakeshore, coming off a heartbreaking 15-12 loss to Portage Northern, will try to get its first win of the season at Kalamazoo Central. The Lancers won last year's meeting 18-7.

Kalamazoo Central opened the season with a 46-13 loss to St. Joseph, which plays at Okemos on Friday. Okemos was 1-8 last season, and opened this year with a 30-14 loss to Lansing Waverly.

BCS

Berrien Springs will host Comstock, a team it has defeated five straight times by an average of 37 points per game. The game will be played at Buchanan while construction on Sylvester Stadium continues.

Berrien Springs played its opening home game at New Buffalo, defeating Niles 21-8.

South Haven will take on Niles this week. The Rams lost their opener to Buchanan 24-6, and haven't won since 2016.

SAC

Coloma will host Kalamazoo United. The Comets are coming off a 36-34 win over Delton Kellogg in their opener. United defeated Benton Harbor 42-12.

United has won three straight in the series, including a 34-0 win last season.

Watervliet opened with a 43-0 victory over Galesburg-Augusta and will be at Fennville this week. The Panthers defeated Fennville 56-21 last season, one of only two wins they had. Fennville lost its opener to Lawton 50-7.

Southwest 10

Hartford opened the season with a 41-14 loss to Cassopolis, and has another tough assignment against perennial power Mendon. The Hornets beat White Pigeon 26-24 in their opener.

Independent

Benton Harbor is at Muskegon Catholic Central. The two are meeting for a third straight season. The Tigers won 41-21 in 2018, but lost 18-8 last year.

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Bears Hall of Fame running back Sayers dies at 77

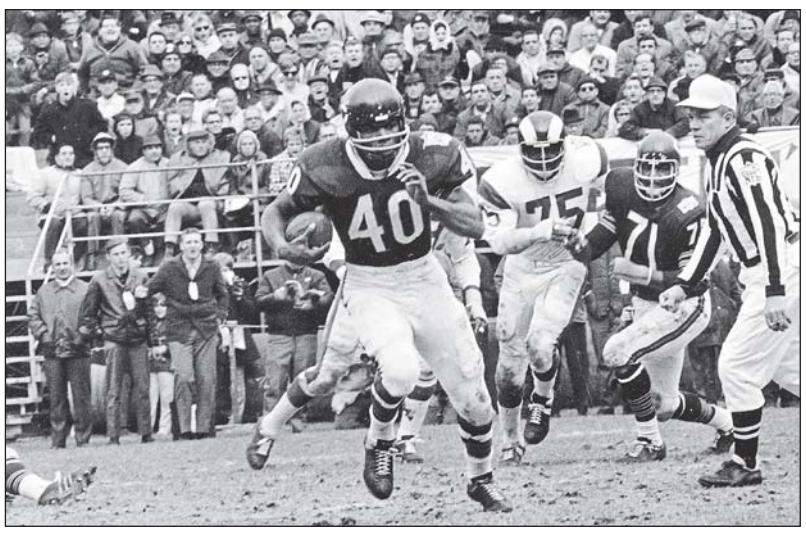
By ANDREW SELIGMAN and JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writers

CHICAGO — Gale Sayers, the dazzling and elusive running back who entered the Pro Football Hall of Fame despite the briefest of careers and whose fame extended far beyond the field for decades thanks to a friendship with a dying Chicago Bears teammate, has died. He was 77.

Nicknamed "The Kansas Comet" and considered among the best open-field runners the game has ever seen, Sayers died Wednesday, according to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Relatives of Sayers had said he was diagnosed with dementia. In March 2017, his wife, Ardythe, said she partly blamed his football career.

"Football fans know well Gale's many accomplishments on the field: a rare combination of speed and power as the game's most electrifying runner, a dangerous kick returner, his comeback from a serious knee injury to lead the league in rushing, and becoming the youngest player inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame," Bears chairman George McCaskey said in a statement. "People who weren't even football fans came to know Gale through the TV movie 'Brian's Song,' about his friendship with teammate Brian Piccolo. Fifty years later, the movie's message that brotherhood and love needn't be defined by skin color still resonates."



STF / AP
Chicago Bears running back Gale Sayers (40) runs against the Los Angeles Rams, Oct. 27, 1969, in Chicago, Ill. Sayers died Wednesday.

Sayers was a blur to NFL defenses, ghosting would-be tacklers or zooming by them like few running backs or kick returners before or since. Yet it was his rock-steady friendship with Piccolo, depicted in the film "Brian's Song," that marked him as more than a sports star.

"He was the very essence of a team player – quiet, unassuming and always ready to compliment a teammate for a key block," Hall of Fame President David Baker said. "Gale was an extraordinary man who overcame a great deal of adversity during his NFL career and life."

Sayers became a stockbroker, sports administrator, businessman and philanthropist for several inner-city Chicago youth initiatives after his pro football career was cut short by serious injuries to both knees.

"Gale was one of the finest men in NFL history and one of the game's most exciting players," NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said. "Gale was an electrifying and elusive runner who thrilled fans every time he touched the ball. He earned his place as a first-ballot Hall of Famer."

Sayers was a two-time All-American at Kansas and inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame as well. He was selected by Chicago with the fourth pick overall in 1965, and his versatility produced dividends and highlight-reel slaloms through opposing defenses right from the start.

He tied one NFL record with six touchdowns in a game and set another with 22 touchdowns in his first season: 14 rushing, six receiving, one punt and one kickoff return. Sayers was a unanimous choice for Offensive Rookie of the Year.

Sayers followed that by being voted an All-Pro during the first five of his seven NFL seasons (1965-71). But he was stuck on a handful of middling-to-bad Bears teams and, like Dick Butkus, another Hall of Fame teammate selected in the same 1965 draft, he never played in the postseason. Sayers appeared in only 68 games total and just two in each of his final two seasons while attempting to return from those knee injuries.

"Will miss a great friend who helped me become the player I became because after practicing and scrimmaging against Gale I knew I could play against anybody," Butkus said. "We lost one of the best Bears ever and more importantly we lost a great person."

In 1977, at age 34, Sayers became the youngest player inducted into the Hall of Fame. In presenting him at the ceremony, Bears founder George Halas said: "If you wish to see perfection as a running back, you had best get a hold of a film of Gale Sayers. He was poetry in motion. His like will never be seen again."

Slumping Sox fall again to Indians; Cubs lose to Pirates

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Shane Bieber lowered his ERA to 1.63 in his final regular-season start, the lowest in the American League since Luis Tiant's 1.60 for Cleveland in 1968, and Jordan Luplow hit a game-ending home run that gave the Indians a 3-2 win over Chicago on Wednesday night and dropped the White Sox into a tie with Minnesota for the AL Central lead.

Bieber, who leads the big leagues with eight wins, allowed an unearned run and two hits in five innings with 10 strikeouts in his eighth double-digit strikeout game, also a major league high.

He lowered his major league-leading ERA from 1.74. Chicago's Dallas Keuchel is second in the AL at 2.04 heading into his start against the Indians in Thursday's series finale.

Chicago fell to 34-22, the same record as the Twins going into their game against Detroit later Wednesday. Cleveland (32-24) closed within two games of the lead with its second straight last at-bat victory. José Ramírez hit a three-run homer with two outs in the 10th for a 5-3 win Tuesday.

With the score 2-2, Luplow homered onto the porch in left field off Gio González (1-2). A .194 hitter, Luplow struck out in his first three at-bats and followed with his second home run this season.

Brad Hand (2-1) pitched a perfect ninth.

Lucas Giolito gave up two runs and four hits in six innings, throwing a career-high 119 pitches. He has three no-decisions against the Indians this year.

Carlos Santana hit a a 441-foot home run in the second and with 215 homers tied Hall of Famer Larry Doby for sixth place ion the Indians list.

Edwin Encarnación hit an RBI groundout that tied the score in the fourth by bringing home José Abreu, who reached on an error by Ramírez at third.

Cleveland took a 2-1 lead ion Franmil Reyes' sixth-inning sacrifice fly, but Abreu tied the score with a sacrifice fly in the eighth off James Karinchak.

Abreu leads the AL with 57 RBIs but went 0 for 2 and dropped his average to .329. Ramírez also was 0 for 2, stopping his seven-game hitting streak, while Chicago's Tim Anderson was hitless in four at-bats and is batting .346.

Cleveland rookie Triston McKenzie made his first relief appearance, following Bieber with two scoreless innings.

Pirates 2, Cubs 1

PITTSBURGH — Adam Frazier and Ke'Bryan Hayes led off the bottom of the first inning with back-to-back homers off Kyle Hendricks, giving the Pittsburgh Pirates all the offense they'd need to slip by the playoff-bound Chicago Cubs 2-1 on Wednesday night.

The Cubs clinched their fifth postseason spot in six years on Tuesday night and maintain a fairly healthy lead in the NL Central with four days left in the regular season.

Still, the offense remains a bit of an issue for the Cubs. They've scored nine runs total while dropping four of their last five games.

Frazier turned on the fourth pitch he saw from Hendricks (6-5) and sent it to the railing atop the seats in right field and Hayes continued his impressive rookie season when he followed with his fourth of the season, a lined shot to right-center field.

Hendricks surrendered little else over 7 2/3 innings, giving up two run on seven hits with one walk and three strikeouts but the Cubs lost their second straight when they couldn't get much of anything going against Pittsburgh's Trevor Williams and four relievers.

Williams (2-8) ended a nightmarish season on a high note, settling down after Anthony Rizzo's 11th home run in the top of the first to record just his second win in 15 starts dating back to last season. Williams struck out four against three walks and three hits to provide him with a dash of momentum heading into an uncertain offseason.

Richard Rodriguez worked the ninth for his fourth save, striking out Ian Happ with a runner on second at the end of a nine-pitch at-bat.

Hendricks came 3-0 with a 1.21 ERA in his last four starts, his precise blend of off-speed stuff baffling hitters along the way. Frazier wasn't fooled in the first inning and neither was Hayes as they became the first Pirate teammates to lead off the game with consecutive home runs since Jose Tabata and Neil Walker did it on Sept. 20, 2013.

Those shots came in the middle of the team's first winning season in 21 years. That ship has long since sailed for the current group, which is in the middle of a rebuilding process. Hayes is an important part of the process, and the young third baseman finished with two hits to raise his average to .333.

Cameron Maybin doubled twice for the Cubs but Chicago managed just five hits total and went 0 for 6 with runners in scoring position and left at least one runner on base in each of the last four innings.

Don Campbell / HP staff

Lakeshore's Jenna Donarski, left and Raegan Nicholson try to block a shot from St. Joseph's Adriana Pierangeli during Wednesday's match.

DIG PINK

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we like to celebrate with the community, and we couldn't do much," St. Joseph coach Heather Briney-Kelm said. "We can't have the big amount of fans, we can't have this, we can't have this... so we started focusing instead on 'What can we have?' Well, we can have a great match tonight! We can still play hard and honor all the cancer survivors, and that can be our donation as opposed to something monetary."

Karly Klaer led St. Joseph with 15 kills, 10 assists and five aces.

"That kid has got a drive inside of her that I've not seen out of many," Briney-Kelm said. "She wants to get it done and she's going to figure out how to do it, end of story."

St. Joseph (1-1) was playing just its second game. The season had a delayed start and teams were forced to practice outdoors before being cleared to play.

"It was absolutely amazing," Klaer said. "Leading up to this, we weren't even sure if we were going to come inside at all. We were firing questions at coach and she had no idea how to answer.

"This game, we came in with a ton of energy and we were ready to just do as good as we could."

St. Joseph got off to a great start, building an 8-1 lead in the opening game behind the serve of senior Taylor Valdes, who finished with seven kills and three aces.

The Bears never trailed in either of the first two games.

The third game was much closer, and Lakeshore appeared poised to win with a 24-21 lead late. But the Bears rallied to score the final five points, finishing with a kill by senior Kiki Sohn.

"We've just got to play better defensively," Lakeshore coach Kat Hall said. Defense is what wins games, and I think that's the only way we're going to capitalize to be able to score. We have all the potential in the world, but we're just not executing."

Hall is a new coach at Lakeshore. She has 12 years of experience as a volleyball coach on the east side of Michigan, including six as a varsity head coach, most recently at Troy Athens.

Lily Cashen, Cali Allen and Jenna Donarski each had five kills for the Lancers, and Gianna Kerschbaum led the defense with 17 digs. Cashen and Allen, both seniors, have been key players on varsity since they were sophomores.

"I'm looking for my leaders to be Cali and Lilly," Hall said. "They've been leaders in the past and they know what it takes to play at a high level."

ST. JOSEPH D. LAKESHORE
25-21, 25-17, 26-24

St. Joseph — Kate Gersonde 4 assists, 13 digs; Emily Watson 13 assists, 1 ace, 10 digs; Bea Craig 1 kill, 1 block; Kiki Sohn 4 kills, 2 assists, 4 aces, 8 digs; Courtney Koch 5 kills, 1 dig; Adriana Pierangeli 3 kills, 1 dig, 2 blocks; Taylor Valdes 7 kills, 3 aces, 9 digs; Lindsey Piontek 2 kills, 1 digs, 1 block; Olivia Robinson 1 assist, 1 dig; Karly Klaer 15 kills, 10 assists, 5 aces, 9 digs.
Lakeshore – Cali Allen 1 ace, 5 kills, 11 digs; Jenna Donarski 5 kills, 1 block; Lily Cashen 5 kills, 10 digs; Gianna Kerschbaum 17 digs.
Records – St. Joseph 1-1, Lakeshore 3-4.

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BIG AL

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Oklahoma 52, Kansas St. 20
Florida 35, Mississippi 17
Auburn 38, Kentucky 24
UCF 42, E. Carolina 13
Louisiana 27, Ga. Southern 14
Louisville 24, Pittsburgh 21
Georgia Tech 23, Charlotte 14
Appalachian St. 52, Campbell 10
TCU 24, Iowa St. 23
Tulane 27, Southern Miss 21
LSU 37, Miss. State 20
Texas 34, Texas Tech 17
Cincinnati 33, Army 22
Oklahoma St. 31, W. Virginia 21
UL Monroe 30, UTEP 20
Georgia 38, Arkansas 10
Virginia 24, Duke 20
Boston College 35, Texas St, 17
Alabama 49, Missouri 21
Houston 34, N. Texas 12
La. Tech 35, Houston Baptist 13
SMU 44, SF Austin 8
Texas A&M 42, Vanderbilt 14
Miami, Fla. 35, Florida St. 27
Tennessee 28, S. Carolina 24
Baylor 34, Kansas 17
Va. Tech 28, N.C. State 20
BYU 38, Troy 28

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HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD

BOYS SOCCER

HARTFORD 4, BLOOMINGDALE 1

Goals (assists) — Hartford: Caiden Smith (Danny Gutierrez), Aaron Robles, Smith (Kevin Parra), Robles.
Saves – Kaiden Johnson (H) 7.
Halftime – Hartford 2-0.

COLOMA 3, CONSTANTINE 1

Goals — Coloma: Luke Phillips, Cannon Hodges 2. Constantine: Carson Roberts.
Shots – Coloma 14, Constantine 7.
Saves – Wes Seabury (Col) 6, Corey Goldsmith (Con) 11.
Halftime – Coloma 1, Constantine 1.

CROSS COUNTRY

Boys

ST. JOSEPH 26, LAKESHORE 29

St. Joseph — 2. Will Fiesbeck 17:43.8, 3. Andrew Moyer 17:55.8, 5. Jacob Haunhorst 18:28.9, 6. Michael Melvoin 18:32.5, 10. Nolan Youngstedt 19:22.3.
Lakeshore – 1. Race Bettich 16:09.6, 4. Charlie Ogata 18:13.7, 7. Grant Rose 19:05.2, 8. Sam Stephens 12 19:10.6, 9. Lucas Balkema 19:10.7.

Girls

ST. JOSEPH 24, LAKESHORE 32

St. Joseph — 2. Cecilia Ruchti 20:19.3, 3. Grace Kelley 20:31.9, 4. Olivia Ippel 21:33.4, 6. Eleah Hedstrom 22:41.5, 9. Madison Werk-Spitzer 22:53.1.
Lakeshore – 1. Emily Peters 20:13.7, 5. Abigail Winsman 22:28.8, 7. Olivia Smith 22:43.8, 8. Sophia Ceru 22:44.6, 11. Rachel Vroegop 23:07.5.

GIRLS SWIMMING

PORTAGE NORTHERN 94, ST. JOSEPH 91

200 medley relay — Portage Northern 2:01.36; 200 freestyle – Abigail Wetlaufer (PN) 2:08.08; 200 IM – Meghan Hincher (PN) 2:29.26; 50 freestyle – Hannah Williams (PN) 25.96; diving – Gabrielle Wiskow (SJ) 170.45; 100 butterfly – Angelina Barker (PN) 1:01.61; 100 freestyle – Hannah Williams (PN) 55.56; 500 freestyle – Abigail Wetlaufer (PN) 5:49.00; 200 free relay – Portage Northern 1:48.67; 100 backstroke – Angelina Barker (PN) 1:03.80; 100 breaststroke – Sylvia Park (SJ) 1:12.89; 400 free relay – St. Joseph (Jordan Block, Emma Dibkey, Addie Straub, Sylvia Park) 4:11.09.

VOLLEYBALL

NILES D. BRIDGMAN
25-13, 25-10, 25-14

Bridgman — Peyton Oman 2 ace, 3 kills, 13 digs; Haylee Kanous 1 kill, 8 assists, 9 digs; Takiya Cornelius 5 kills, 3 digs; Bella Gearheardt 1 dig; Ava Ward 2 digs; Javin Graves 1 ace; Autumn Brown 16 digs; Bre Russell 3 digs.
Niles: Jillian Bruckner 11 kills, 1 ace, 5 blocks; Marika Ruppart 7 kills, 3 blocks; Amara Palmer 6 kills, 2 blocks, 3 digs; Laura Golubski 6 kills, 2 blocks, 4 digs, 1 ace; Cadence Knight 1 kill, 2 aces, 7 digs; Emma Beckman 14 assists.
Records – Bridgman 0-2 BCS, 4-4.

BRANDYWINE D. SOUTH HAVEN
25-15, 22-25, 25-11, 25-23

Brandywine — Elizabeth Stockdale 3 kills, 17 assists, 9 digs, 1 block; Kristen Alvord 13 kills, 18 digs, 1 ace; Olivia Laurita 16 digs; Ellie Knapp 3 kills, 26 assists, 13 digs, 1 block, 2 aces; Kadence Brumitt 10 kills, 24 digs, 1 block, 3 aces; Clara DePriest 9 kills, 1 block, 2 aces; Haley Scott 5 kills, 3 aces.
Record – Brandywine 5-1.

BOYS TENNIS

NEW BUFFALO/BRIDGMAN/ LM CATHOLIC 5, NILES 3

Singles — 1. Chase Lotsbaich (Nil) def. Noah Siglow 6-4, 6-2; 2. Leonardo Passeri (Nil) def. Chase Strother 6-1 , 6-0; 3. Ellie Kroeze (NB) def. Justin Russo 6-0 , 6-0; 4. Andrew Glotzbach (NB) def. Gavin Mahar 6-1 , 6-1
Doubles – 1. Trey Heyn-Trevor Mulick (NB) def. Huck Coffee-Sam Knight 6-1, 4-6, 6-3; 2. Angelo Ciccarelli-Matt DeMeulenaere (NB) def. Brandon Kosten-Ty Elms 6-2 , 6-1; 3. Wyatt Mitchell-Rylan Custard (Nil) def. Wes Barnes-Brock Jones 6-4, 6-2; 4. Tyler Allwood-Alex Thompson (NB) def. Ryker Daniel-Jackson Podlin 6-4, 4-6, 10-8.

SCOREBOARD

MLB

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Tampa Bay	37	20	.649	—
z-New York	32	24	.571	4½
Toronto	29	27	.518	7½
Baltimore	23	32	.418	13
Boston	21	34	.382	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	34	22	.607	—
z-Minnesota	34	22	.607	—
z-Cleveland	32	24	.571	2
Detroit	22	31	.415	10½
Kansas City	22	33	.400	11½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oakland	33	21	.611	—
Houston	28	28	.500	6
Los Angeles	26	31	.456	8½
Seattle	25	31	.446	9
Texas	19	37	.339	15

x-clinched division
z-clinched playoff berth

Tuesday's Games

Cleveland 5, Chicago White Sox 3, 10 innings
N.Y. Yankees 12, Toronto 1
N.Y. Mets 5, Tampa Bay 2
Boston 8, Baltimore 3
St. Louis 5, Kansas City 0
Minnesota 5, Detroit 4, 10 innings
Arizona 7, Texas 0
Houston 6, Seattle 1
L.A. Angels 4, San Diego 2
L.A. Dodgers 7, Oakland 2

Wednesday's Games

Toronto 14, N.Y. Yankees 1
L.A. Angels 5, San Diego 2
Arizona 7, Texas 3
Cleveland 3, Chicago White Sox 2
Seattle 3, Houston 2
Tampa Bay 8, N.Y. Mets 5
Baltimore at Boston
Detroit at Minnesota
St. Louis at Kansas City
Oakland at L.A. Dodgers

Thursday's Games

Chicago White Sox (Keuchel 6-2) at Cleveland (Plesac 4-2), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Montgomery 2-2) at Toronto (Ryu 4-2), 6:37 p.m.
Baltimore (Cobb 1-5) at Boston (Pérez 3-4), 7:30 p.m.
Detroit (Fulmer 0-2) at Kansas City (Bubic 1-6), 8:05 p.m.
Houston (Javier 4-2) at Texas (Lynn 6-2), 8:05 p.m.
Oakland (Fiers 6-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Buehler 1-0), 9:40 p.m.

Friday's Games

Baltimore at Toronto, 6:37 p.m.
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:40 p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 7:10 p.m.
Detroit at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Houston at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 9:40 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 9:40 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	34	22	.607	—
Miami	28	28	.500	6
Philadelphia	28	29	.491	6½
New York	25	31	.446	9
Washington	23	33	.411	11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	32	24	.571	—
St. Louis	27	25	.519	3
Cincinnati	29	28	.509	3½
Milwaukee	27	28	.491	4½
Pittsburgh	17	39	.304	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	39	16	.709	—
z-San Diego	34	22	.607	5½
San Francisco	27	27	.500	11½
Colorado	24	30	.444	14½
Arizona	22	34	.393	17½

x-clinched division
z-clinched playoff berth

Tuesday's Games

Washington 5, Philadelphia 1, 7 innings, 1st game
Milwaukee 3, Cincinnati 2
Washington 8, Philadelphia 7, 8 innings, 2nd game
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Atlanta 11, Miami 1
N.Y. Mets 5, Tampa Bay 2
St. Louis 5, Kansas City 0
Arizona 7, Texas 0
L.A. Angels 4, San Diego 2
L.A. Dodgers 7, Oakland 2
San Francisco 5, Colorado 2

Wednesday's Games

L.A. Angels 5, San Diego 2
Philadelphia 12, Washington 3
Arizona 7, Texas 3
Cincinnati 6, Milwaukee 1
Pittsburgh 2, Chicago Cubs 1
Tampa Bay 8, N.Y. Mets 5
Atlanta 9, Miami 4
St. Louis at Kansas City
Oakland at L.A. Dodgers
Colorado at San Francisco

Thursday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Mills 5-4) at Pittsburgh (Kuhl 1-3), 1:35 p.m.
Colorado (González 0-2) at San Francisco (Gausman 3-3), 3:45 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Peterson 5-2) at Washington (Corbin 2-6), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (López 5-4) at Atlanta (Anderson 3-1), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Burnes 4-0) at St. Louis (Kim 2-0), 8:15 p.m.
Oakland (Fiers 6-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Buehler 1-0), 9:40 p.m.

Friday's Games

St. Louis at Milwaukee, 5:15 p.m., 1st game
N.Y. Mets at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 6:40 p.m., 1st game
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:40 p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 7:10 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 7:10 p.m., 1st game
Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at St. Louis, 8:45 p.m., 2nd game
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 9:40 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 10:10 p.m., 2nd game
San Francisco at San Diego, 10:40 p.m., 2nd game

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	0	0	1.000	58	45
New England	1	1	0	.500	51	46
Miami	0	2	0	.000	39	52
N.Y. Jets	0	2	0	.000	30	58

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	2	0	0	1.000	49	44
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	48	38
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	57	53
Houston	0	2	0	.000	36	67

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	71	22
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	1.000	52	37
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	41	68
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	43	51

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	2	0	0	1.000	57	40
Las Vegas	2	0	0	1.000	68	54
L.A. Chargers	1	1	0	.500	36	36
Denver	0	2	0	.000	35	42

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	57	59
Washington	1	1	0	.500	42	47
N.Y. Giants	0	2	0	.000	29	43
Phila.	0	2	0	.000	36	64

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	58	57
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	54	51
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	64	78
Carolina	0	2	0	.000	47	65

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	44	36
Green Bay	2	0	0	1.000	85	55
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	44	69
Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	45	71

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	54	35
L.A. Rams	2	0	0	1.000	57	36
Seattle	2	0	0	1.000	73	55
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	51	37

Thursday's Game

Miami at Jacksonville, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Houston at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Phila., 1 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Las Vegas at New England, 1 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis, 4:05 p.m.
Carolina at L.A. Chargers, 4:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Denver, 4:25 p.m.
Detroit at Arizona, 4:25 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.
Green Bay at New Orleans, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Games

Kansas City at Baltimore, 8:15 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Schedule

Thursday, Sept. 24

SOUTH

UAB (1-1) at South Alabama (1-1), 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 25

SOUTHWEST

Middle Tennessee (0-2) at UTSA (2-0), 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 26

EAST

Louisville (1-1) at Pittsburgh (2-0), Noon
Georgia Tech (1-1) at Syracuse (0-2), Noon
Temple at Navy (1-1), Postponed
Texas State (1-2) at Boston College (1-0), 6 p.m.

SOUTH

Florida at Mississippi, Noon
Campbell (0-2) at Appalachian St. (1-1), Noon
Kentucky at Auburn, Noon
UCF (1-0) at East Carolina, Noon
Georgia St. (0-1) at Charlotte (0-1), Noon
Notre Dame (2-0) at Wake Forest (0-2), Postponed
Georgia Southern (1-0) at Louisiana-Lafayette (2-0), Noon
E. Kentucky (0-2) at The Citadel (0-2), 1 p.m.
FIU at Liberty (1-0), 1 p.m.
Tulane (1-1) at Southern Miss. (0-2), 2:30 p.m.
Mississippi St. at LSU, 3:30 p.m.
UTEP (2-1) at Louisiana-Monroe (0-2), 3:30 p.m.
Duke (0-2) at Virginia, 4 p.m.
South Florida (1-1) at FAU, 6 p.m.
Houston Baptist (0-2) at Louisiana Tech (1-0), 7 p.m.
Florida St. (0-1) at Miami (2-0), 7:30 p.m.
Tennessee at South Carolina, 7:30 p.m.
NC State (1-0) at Virginia Tech, 8 p.m.

MIDWEST

Army (2-0) at Cincinnati (1-0), 3:30 p.m.
Alabama at Missouri, 7 p.m.

SOUTHWEST

Kansas St. (0-1) at Oklahoma (1-0), Noon
Iowa St. (0-1) at TCU, 1:30 p.m.
Tulsa (0-1) at Arkansas St. (1-1), 3:30 p.m.
Texas (1-0) at Texas Tech (1-0), 3:30 p.m.
West Virginia (1-0) at Oklahoma St. (1-0), 3:30 p.m.
Georgia at Arkansas, 4 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin (0-2) at SMU (2-0), 7 p.m.
North Texas (1-1) at Houston, 7 p.m.
Vanderbilt at Texas A&M, 7:30 p.m.
Kansas (0-1) at Baylor, 7:30 p.m.
Missouri St. (0-1) at Cent. Arkansas (1-1), 8 p.m.

FAR WEST

Troy (1-0) at BYU (1-0), 10:15 p.m.

NHL

STANLEY CUP FINAL
(Best-of-7)

Saturday, September 19

Dallas 4, Tampa Bay 1

Monday, September 21

Tampa Bay 3, Dallas 2, series tied 1 – 1

Wednesday, September 23

Tampa Bay at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Friday, September 25

Tampa Bay at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Saturday, September 26

Dallas at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

PRIME TIME TV

THURSDAY EVENING SEP. 24

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	Celebrity Family Feud (N)		Press Your Luck "They're Baaaaack!"		:01 Match Game (N) CC (DVS)	
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother A houseguest is evicted. (N)		:01 Love Island (N) CC		Star Trek: Discovery "The Vulcan Hello"	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	To Be Announced				Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
FOX 17 222 28 32	Modern Family	The Masked Singer CC (DVS)		Filthy Rich "Pilot" CC (DVS)		Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Radar-Michigan	Poldark on Masterpiece CC		Elkhart County Hall of Fame Awards		Antiques Roadshow CC	
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Mysteries Decoded (N) CC		Penn & Teller: Fool Us CC		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Dateline A woman's truck explodes. (N)		Dateline A mother's apparent suicide.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Mysteries Decoded (N) CC		Penn & Teller: Fool Us CC		King of Queens	King of Queens
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland "Something in the Night"		Highway to Heaven "Man to Man" CC		Nightly News	
WGN 9	News	black-ish	black-ish CC	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	:00 The First 48	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		:02 The First 48 CC	
AMC	★★ U.S. Marshals	📽 ★★ Con Air ('97, Action) Nicolas Cage, John Cusack. Vicious convicts hijack their flight. CC					Gone in 60 Sec
Animal	Catch	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch	
BET	:00 📽 We Belong Together			📽 ★★ Just Wright ('10) Queen Latifah.			
Big Ten	:00 Women's College Soccer			Women's College Soccer CC			
Bravo	Housewives	Housewives/NYC		The Real Housewives of New York City "Reunion Part 3" (N)			He's Just Not
Cartoon	Gumball	Burgers	American	American	Rick	Rick	Fam. Guy
Cinemax	6:30 📽 Within	📽 ★★ Pandorum ('09, Science Fiction) Dennis Quaid, Ben Foster. CC				The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy	
CMT	Last Man	📽 ★ Hope Floats ('98) Sandra Bullock, Harry Connick Jr. CC					
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office
Discovery	Homestead	Homestead Rescue (N) CC		Homestead Rescue "Surviving the Wild: Hungry Family No More" (N) CC			
Disney	Raven	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd
DIY	Insane	Insane Pools		Insane Pools		Insane Pools	
E!	Kardas	The Kardashians		Bradshaw	Celebrity Game Face		10 Things
ESPN	College Football Alabama-Birmingham at South Alabama. (N) (L)						SportsC.
ESPN2	WNBA Basketball				WNBA Basketball		
ESPNC	Baseball	MLB Baseball				MLB Baseball	
Food	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	Tigers Lv.	MLB Baseball Detroit Tigers at Kansas City Royals. (N) (L)					
Freefrm	6:00 📽 ★★ Jumanji ('95) CC			📽 ★★ The Game Plan ('07, Children's) Dwayne The Rock Johnson, Madison Pettis. CC			
FX	:00 📽 ★★★ Spider-Man: Homecoming ('17, Action) Tom Holland, Michael Keaton. CC					📽 ★★★ Spider-Man: Homecoming	
Golf	PGA Golf					PGA Golf	
Hallmark	October Kiss ('15)	📽 Bottled With Love ('19, Romance) Bethany Joy Lenz, Andrew W. Walker. CC				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
HBO	6:50 📽 ★★★ Harriet ('19, Biography) Cynthia Erivo. CC			Agents of Chaos "Part 2" ((SF)) Russia and the presidential election. (N)			
History	Pickers	American Pickers		:02 American Pickers		:05 American Pickers	
HGTV	Home	Flipping	Flipping	Flipping	Flipping	Hunters	Hunt Intl
Learning	Dr. Pim	Dr. Pim	My Feet	Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr. Pim	My Feet
Lifetime	Grey's Anatomy	Married at First Sight CC		Married at First Sight "Australia: Season 7, Episode 34" (N) CC			
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Ridic.	Double Shot at Love		Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	MLB Baseball			Postgame	Baseball	Outdoor	Boxing
NFL	NFL GameDay		NFL Football Miami Dolphins at Jacksonville Jaguars.				
Nick	Loud	📽 ★★★ Clueless ('95, Comedy) CC				Friends	Friends
NGEO	Life Be	Life Below Zero (N)		Life Below Zero		:03 Life Below Zero	
Oxygen	:00 Snapped	Buried in the Backyard (N)		Buried in the Backyard CC		Snapped Preacher's troubled marriage.	
Parmt	Two Men	📽 ★★★ Coming to America ('88) Eddie Murphy.					Coming
Showtime	:00 Love Fraud	Shameless Monica tries to kill herself.		📽 ★★★ Marshall ('17, Historical Drama) Chadwick Boseman, Josh Gad. CC			
Starz	Equalizer	7:54 📽 ★★ Bad Boys for Life ('20, Action) Will Smith, Martin Lawrence. CC				Vida "Episode 8"	Black and Blue ('19)
STZENC	6:57 📽 ★★★ Hellboy 2: The Golden Army ('08) CC			📽 ★★★ Philadelphia ('93, Drama) Tom Hanks, Denzel Washington. CC			
SyFy	6:01 📽 ★★★ Skyfall ('12, Action) Daniel Craig. CC (DVS)			📽 ★★ Walking Tall ('04, Action) The Rock, Johnny Knoxville. CC (DVS)			
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Lost Resort "The End of the Road"	
TCM	Written-Wind	📽 ★★★ Young Dr. Kildare ('38, Drama) Lew Ayres. CC				📽 ★★★ The Young Doctors ('61) Fredric March. CC	
TMC	6:25 📽 ★ Brake	📽 The Professor ('18) Johnny Depp, Zoey Deutch. CC				:35 📽 ★★ She Hate Me ('04) Anthony Mackie. CC	
TNT	The	NBA Pre-Game		NBA Basketball: Lakers vs Nuggets			
Travel	Ghost	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Chicago P.D. "A Material Witness"		Chicago P.D. "At Least It's Justice"	
VH1	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC	

Mom makes snide remarks about new boyfriend's weight

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 35-year-old single mom. I've dated a few people over the last seven years, but none of them wanted to commit. Several months ago, I started seeing "Joey," a friend of a couple of years. He's sweet, respectful, hard-working, and he helps me whenever I need it.

Joey is on the heavy side, but he's clean and kempt. I introduced him to my mom, and she continues to say he is "gross." She refers to him only as "that man" and never by his name. He has always been very polite and has never said anything to her out of the way.

My son and I have lived with Mom ever since my divorce, and I have helped her out with more than my share of the bills and groceries. I'm currently trying to buy a house, but the market is competitive with the low interest rates. I work full time, take great care of my son and do lots of chores around the house.

How can I convince my mother to accept Joey, or should I ignore what she says as long as he's good to my son and me? – Found A Good Guy In The South

DEAR FOUND: Nothing you can do will make your mother accept Joey. Most parents judge the men in their daughters' lives by how they treat their daughters, rather than a number on the scale. Has it occurred to you that she may be afraid your relationship with Joey could develop to the point you will no longer be around to do chores and help her with the bills?

From your description of him, "that man" is definitely a keeper. As long as he is good to you and your son and you care for him, please don't allow your mother to discourage you. As an adult, it's important to make your own decisions and live your own life without interference.

DEAR ABBY: My younger sister is a bipolar, narcissistic, psychotic, evil woman with bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology and counseling. She has hated me from birth. I know exactly what she is, and she can't stand that I do.

She spreads lies about me because our mother was alive for my wedding and not for hers and, according to her, it's my fault. (Mama died 10 years ago.) I made her maid of honor at my wedding and godmother to my child, but no matter what I do, she complains to anyone who will listen about what a horrible person she thinks I am. Because of her education, family members believe everything she says without question.

Our adult lives have been spent with her shutting me out and gossiping about me to extended family. How can I convince my relatives to listen to me? I have no one on my side when it comes to her because the family knows about her mental health issues and tell me to get over it. I can't! Please help me. – Can't Go On Like This

DEAR CAN'T GO ON: That your sister has graduate degrees in psychology and counseling does not guarantee that she isn't mentally ill. Your relatives are aware of her mental health issues and have advised you not to overreact. Perhaps you should take that to heart.

Find another godmother for your child, because clearly this one is unsuitable, and spend as little time around your sister as you can. If necessary, start replacing unsupportive family members with friends you can trust to be supportive. The only thing you should NOT do is continue to allow your sick sister to rule your life.

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Is stepchild's humming just a quirk?

Carolyn Hax

Adapted from an online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: My stepchild hums all, the, time. At every meal, when we pray before bed, when other people are talking, during a walk, while making lunches, on the car ride to school, even when reading. It is constant.

I've tried to specifically address this during times I feel it is inappropriate. "When you make noise when I'm talking to you, it makes me feel like you aren't listening to me," or "When we pray, let's be respectful," or "When we see a movie, we want others to hear it, too."

It stops in the immediate when I address it, but continues soon after.

I'm about to lose my mind. My stepkid is wonderful and kind but also has terrible perfectionism issues and I do not want to make them feel bad about an innocent quirk!

It's just so constant and I feel like I'm suffering from noise pollution. Any advice? Is this normal? Stepkid is 10. – Stepparent

DEAR STEPPARENT: To my uncredentialed eye, the humming looks like a neuro-sensory-feedback thing, so please run this by the child's pediatrician.

Foot-tapping, fidgeting and nail-biting are more familiar versions of this, but humming and whistling also fit. It could also be of a piece with the perfectionism.

In fact, run it by the school counselor, too, if there is one, and if there is a school ... ugh. Anyway, multiple opinions are better than one, from different angles, especially with somewhat-less-than-common concerns.

If it this does turn out to be neurological, then it's still OK to ask them (kindly) to stop when the behavior is disruptive – but you'll want to swap out the long explanations for signals – explain once, then cut it to a whispered "Humming." Incorporating substitute fidgets can help.

And you'll want to adjust your expectations. Instead of believing you can get the humming to stop permanently, you'll need to accept the reality of picking your moments – and turn your focus to long-term management and support.

A sampling of reader comments:

■ This might be Tourette's. Pediatrician first, maybe pediatric neurologist. Yes, I'm a doc.

■ My husband is a leg-shaker. I can sometimes feel the house shake. In public when I can tell other people are feeling it, I put a light hand on his leg and that's his signal to stop. It looks like a typical loving gesture – which it is, just loving myself and my sanity – and no one really notices. Again, that won't stop it forever, but he'll notice it enough to stop for a while. In the house, I yell, "You shake-a the house" in my best Mario Bros. voice. We've figured out among ourselves when it's appropriate for me to ask him to stop, and I try to ignore it when we're alone.

■ I'm also a stepmom and I wonder if you have my constant thought of, "Am I horrible, would this bother me if I gave birth to this kid?" or "Would a 'real mom' let this get to her?" In case you have that voice, too, kindly tell it to [blank] off for both of us.

■ We had that with a young cousin – it was a hearing loss and he was self-stimulating. Pediatrician for sure.

Citing personal experience, others suggested the child is musical, or has dyslexia or ADHD. Thanks for all the leads.

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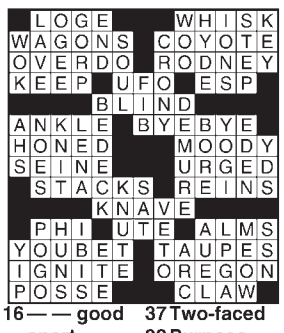
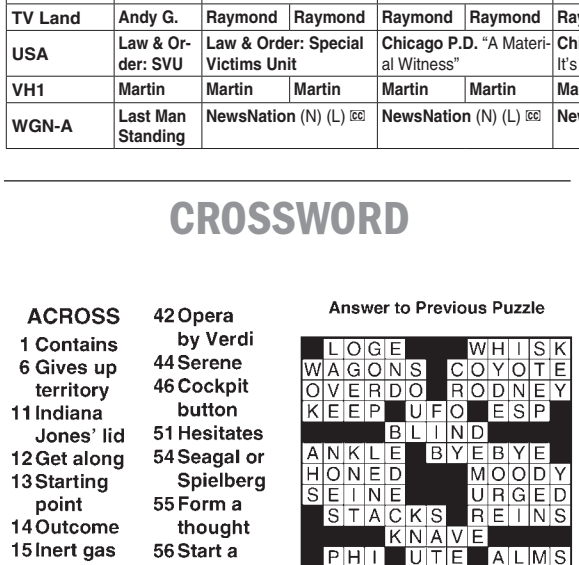
CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Contains
6 Gives up territory
11 Indiana Jones' lid
12 Get along
13 Starting point
14 Outcome
15 Inert gas
16 French cheese
17 "Fish Magic" artist
19 Gutter locale
23 — Enterprise
26 Packing crate
28 Pasture cry
29 Nabbed
31 Cook in embers
33 Library tome
34 Talks pompously
35 Make a fly
36 Yonder
39 Matter, in law
40 "Blondie" kid
42 Opera by Verdi
44 Serene
46 Cockpit button
51 Hesitates
54 Seagal or Spielberg
55 Form a thought
56 Start a paragraph
57 Prom attenders
58 Wield a brush

DOWN
1 This place
2 Norse god of war
3 Emblem
4 Coffee or lemonade
5 — Diego
6 Zorro wear
7 Follow
8 Morse syllable
9 Arrogance
10 Establish
11 Hound's quarry
12 Wagon-train team
16 — — good sport
18 Digital watch readout
20 Let up
21 Flower holders
22 Snacks
23 Prior to
24 Oregon's capital
25 Mexican Mrs.
27 Foul up
29 Jade
30 That, to Jaime
32 Galley mover
34 California's Fort —
37 Two-faced
38 Purpose
41 Dolphin habitat
43 State Farm competitor
45 Crafts' partner
47 Obi-Wan, for one
48 Flush with
49 Dollar fraction
50 Rubble-maker
51 Intelligence
52 Summer cooler
53 Sweater front
54 Use a straw

Answer to Previous Puzzle





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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

IGIDT

FIDTR

MEETXP

COEJTB

What's going on? I can hear you grumbling in the other room.
I want to look sharp, but I can't find anything!
GETTING READY TO PUT ON HIS BEST SUIT, HE COULDN'T FIND HIS NECKWEAR. HE WAS ---

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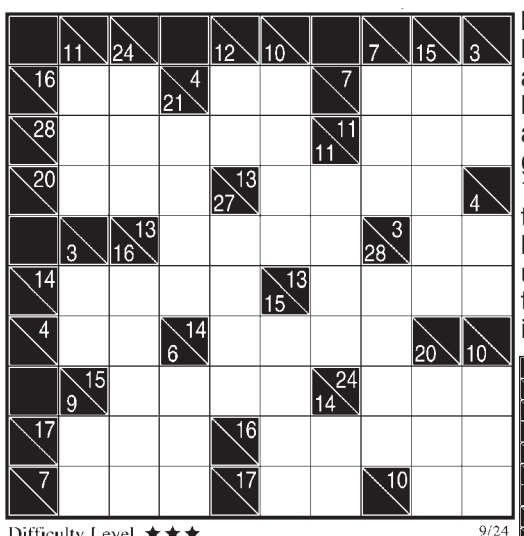
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

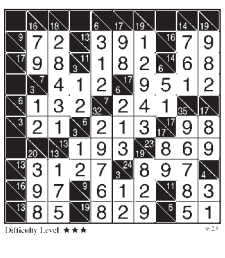
Yesterday's Jumbles: ABOVE SWISH PELLET STURDY
Answer: She called about her unusually high electric bill and asked — "WATTS" UP?

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★★ 9/24

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



BRIDGE

Alfred North Whitehead, who was an English mathematician and philosopher, said, "It requires a very unusual mind to undertake the analysis of the obvious."

Maybe that depends on the obvious. In today's deal, for example, since the contract is four spades, it is obvious that South needs to win 10 tricks. However, the winning approach contains one unusual feature that the declarer must analyze. After West leads the club king, what should South do?

South starts with five potential losers: one spade, two diamonds and two clubs. He has nine apparent winners: three spades, four hearts, one diamond and one club. A club ruff on the board is the obvious-looking route to a 10th winner. So there is a strong temptation to duck the first trick, opening up the line for that ruff. This would often be the right start – but not here. Assuming East discouraged in clubs, West might shift to the diamond 10 at trick two, and then the contract will fail. Even if declarer wins with dummy's ace and plays a trump, East takes the trick with his ace, cashes the diamond king and gives his partner a diamond ruff.

Instead, South wins the first trick in his hand and plays a trump, hoping for a 3-2 split.

Suppose the defenders continue with the spade ace, a club to the jack and the diamond 10 shift. Declarer can finesse the queen (necessary if trumps prove to be 4-1), take the next diamond with dummy's ace, draw trumps, unblock his heart winners, ruff a club on the board and discard his last diamond on the heart jack.

North 09-24-20
♠ K 10 6 5
♥ J 10 8 3
♦ A Q 4
♣ 7 2

West
♠ 7 4
♥ 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 5
♣ K Q J 8 3

East
♠ A 3 2
♥ 7 5
♦ K J 9 8 3
♣ 10 9 4

South
♠ Q J 9 8
♥ A K Q
♦ 7 6 2
♣ A 6 5

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Opening lead: ♣ K

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★☆☆

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6	8			2		4		
3							8	

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

2	8	1	5	4	6	3	7	9
4	7	9	1	8	3	6	5	2
6	5	3	9	7	2	1	4	8
7	4	6	8	9	5	2	1	3
1	9	2	7	3	4	5	8	6
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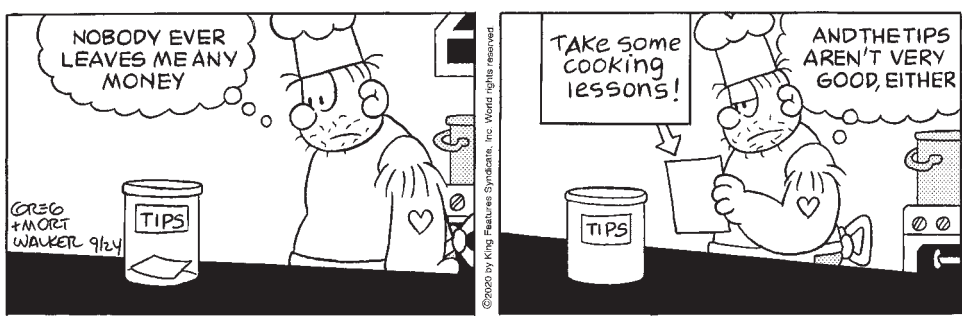
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TIPS
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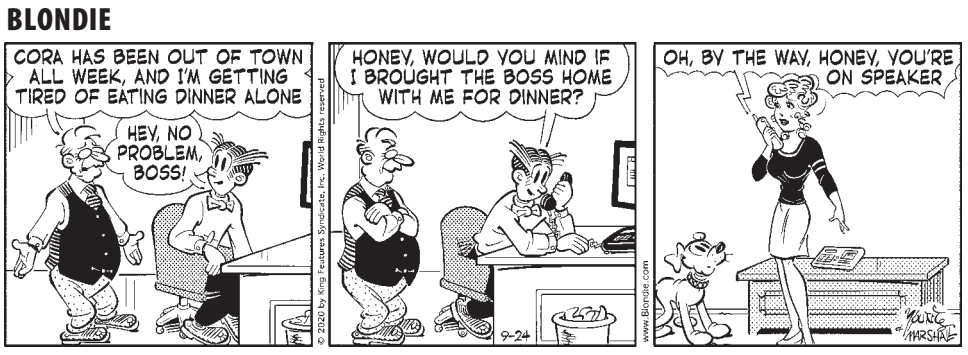
CORA HAS BEEN OUT OF TOWN ALL WEEK, AND I'M GETTING TIRED OF EATING DINNER ALONE
HEY, NO PROBLEM, BOSS!
HONEY, WOULD YOU MIND IF I BROUGHT THE BOSS HOME WITH ME FOR DINNER?
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OH, BY THE WAY, HONEY, YOU'RE ON SPEAKER
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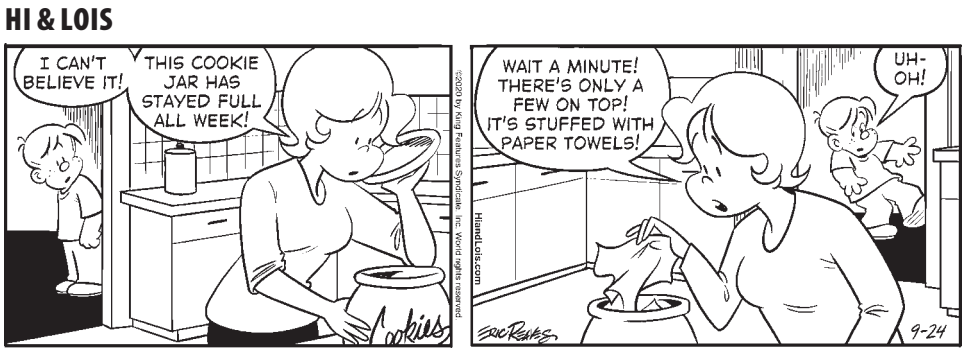
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!
THIS COOKIE JAR HAS STAYED FULL ALL WEEK!
Cookies
WAIT A MINUTE! THERE'S ONLY A FEW ON TOP! IT'S STUFFED WITH PAPER TOWELS!
UH-OH!
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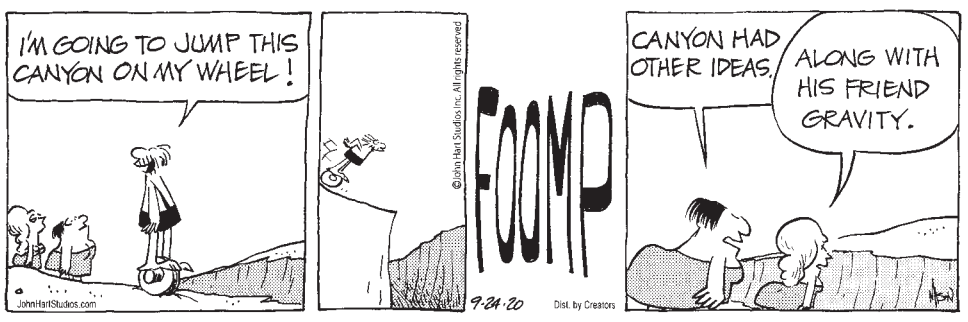

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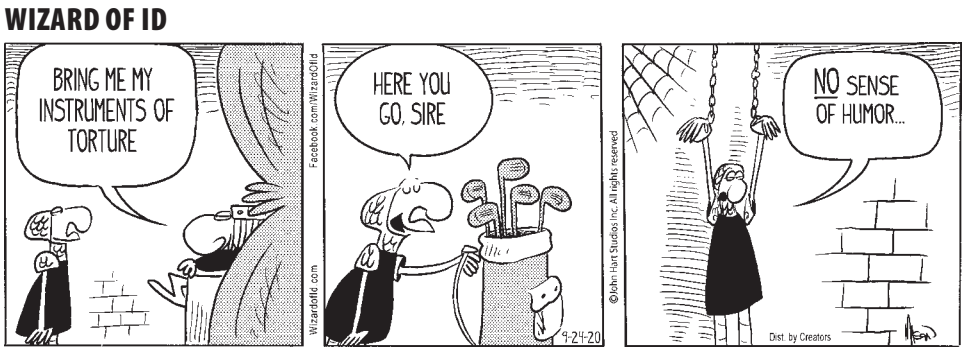

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WHO SAID THAT?
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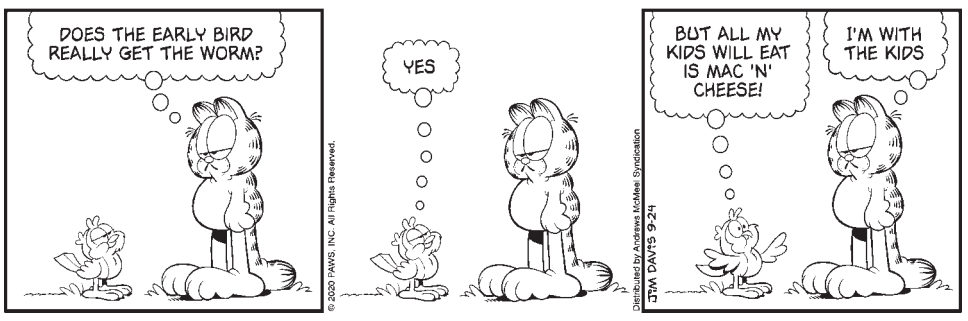
FINE. YOU WERE SLOWING ME DOWN.

GARFIELD


DOES THE EARLY BIRD REALLY GET THE WORM?
YES
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BUT ALL MY KIDS WILL EAT IS MAC 'N' CHEESE!
I'M WITH THE KIDS
JIM DAVIS 9-24
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FORT KNOX

WHAT'S THAT, WEEZER?
A LETTER MY DAD WROTE TO GET ME OUT OF SCIENCE CLASS.
WALL OF SHAME
YOU HAVE A GREAT DAD!
NO KIDDING!
STUFF IN LOCKER
DO YOU THINK HE'LL WRITE ANOTHER?
FOR YOU?
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FOR YOU.
EX-CUSE ME

PICKLES

I LOVE THIS QUOTE BY GOETHE... "ONE OUGHT, EVERY DAY AT LEAST...
...TO HEAR A LITTLE SONG, READ A GOOD POEM, SEE A FINE PICTURE, AND, IF IT WERE POSSIBLE, TO SPEAK A FEW REASONABLE WORDS."
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ISN'T THAT A BEAUTIFUL THOUGHT?
I FIND IT ODD HE SAYS NOTHING ABOUT ENJOYING A GOOD SCRATCH.
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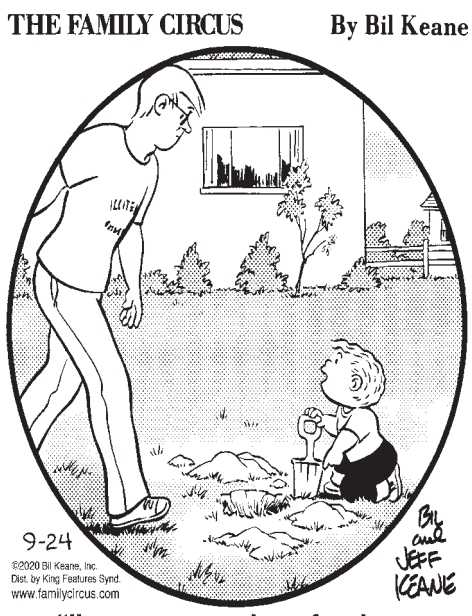
FAMILY CIRCUS



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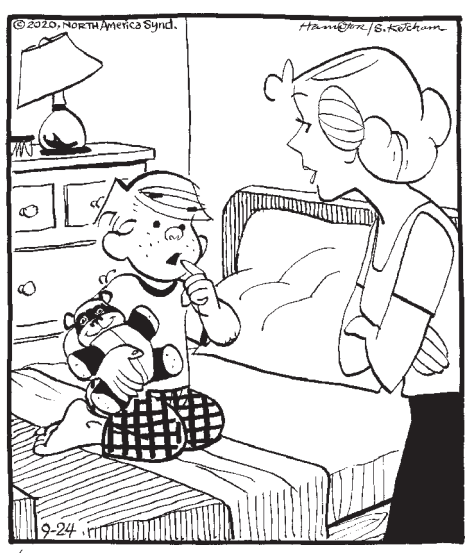
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"WHAT DO I GET FOR MY CHIPPED TOOTH IF THE TOOTH FAIRY DOESN'T SHOW UP?"
"A TRIP TO THE DENTIST."

BABY BLUES

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN FISHING IS PATIENCE.
YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO SIT QUIETLY, SOMETIMES FOR HOURS, WITHOUT EVEN GETTING A NIBBLE.
I THINK I'M DOING IT WRONG.
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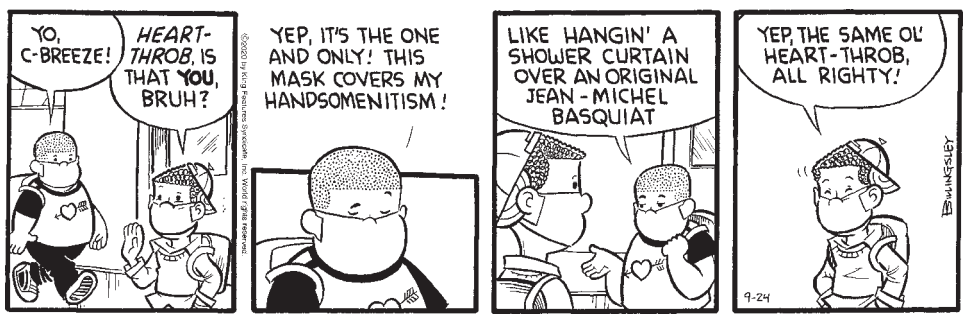
YO, C-BREEZE!
HEART-THROB, IS THAT YOU, BRUH?
YEP, IT'S THE ONE AND ONLY! THIS MASK COVERS MY HANDSOMENITISM!
LIKE HANGIN' A SHOWER CURTAIN OVER AN ORIGINAL JEAN-MICHEL BASQUIAT
YEP, THE SAME OL' HEART-THROB, ALL RIGHTY!
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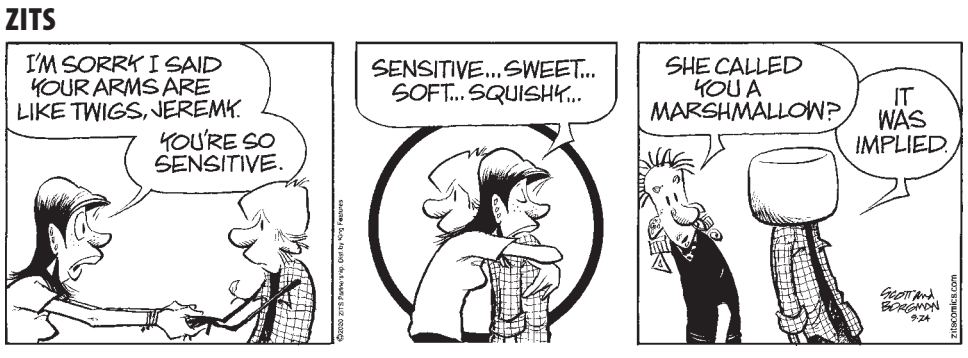
I'M SORRY I SAID YOUR ARMS ARE LIKE TWIGS, JEREMY.
YOU'RE SO SENSITIVE.
SENSITIVE... SWEET... SOFT... SQUISHY...
SHE CALLED YOU A MARSHMALLOW?
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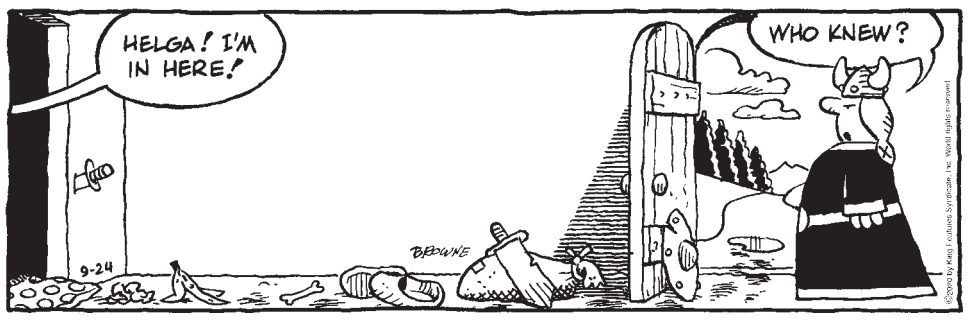

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

GRIMM, STOP BEING SO DRAMATIC. YOUR DOG FOOD ISN'T THAT DRY!
MIKE PETERS
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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
THE TREES ARE STARTING TO LOSE THEIR LEAVES.
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HEY
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO FIND SHOME WOOD GLUE!
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SALLY FORTH

HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF AN UNPREDICTABLE FALL
#4: YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND SOMETHING TO DO INDOORS.
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WE HAD "EARLY SPRING CLEANING." THEN WE HAD "MID-SPRING CLEANING." THEN WE HAD LIKE 40 "SUMMER CLEANINGS." AND NOW YOU WANT TO DO "FALL CLEANING"?!?
YOU KNOW, HIL, MOST FAMILIES DO CLEAN THEIR HOMES FAIRLY REGULARLY.
I THINK ONE OF THE CABLE CHANNELS HAS A REALITY SERIES ABOUT SUCH TROUBLED FOLK. A THERAPIST TRIES TO HELP THEM GET PAST THEIR ANNOYING CONDITION.
KEEFE

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THIS WEEKEND'S ISSUE

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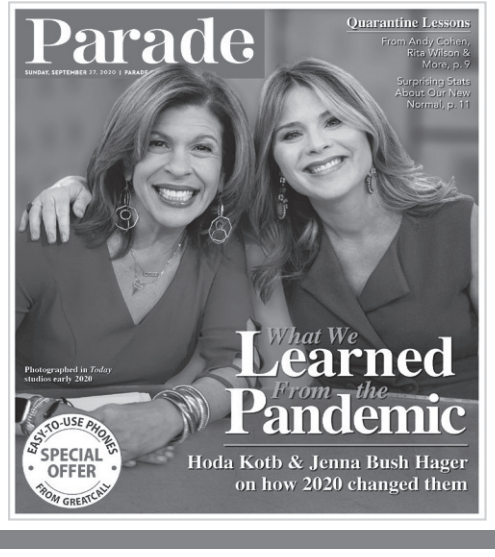
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Extensive mold in the property.

LEGALS

LEGALS

Cook

River Valley School District
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Deadline: Until Filled

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOUND

Hartford, MI
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EMPLOYMENT

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Art Teacher

River Valley School District
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Deadline: Until filled

GENERAL HELP

Crystal Springs
Florist needs a driver for part time work. Good driving record a must. Some Saturday work required. Some lifting. Being familiar with area roads a plus. Apply in person only
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SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER/TREASURER, North Judson-San Pierre School Corporation. Seeking a personable and skillful individual to administer all aspects of the school corporation financial and business operations. Along with developing annual budget, the Business Manager will manage and delegate monthly transactions related to purchased goods and services, accounts payable, accounts receivable, claim coding, payroll, and all other business services. Must have experience in accounting, finance, and operations in business, education, or governmental agencies. A bachelor's degree and related experience in

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The Herald-Palladium
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Responsibilities include answering phone, email, classified ads & telemarketing.
Will be working in a team environment as well as independently.
Needs to be organized, have strong attention to detail, able to multi-task and work in a fast-paced atmosphere.
Must be able to communicate effectively and professionally.

Customer Service and Sales Experience preferred, but willing to train the right person.
Computer Experience Required.
Must have reliable transportation.

Email your resume to Angelique: apetersen@thehp.com

No Calls Please!

GENERAL HELP

Business is preferred. A complete job description can be found on the school website: www.njsp.k12.in.us. Send letter and resume via email to Dr. Annette Zupin, Superintendent: azupin@njsp.k12.in.us

The Town of Trail Creek is seeking applications for a part time street employee. The candidate will work through out the week and some weekend hours, in addition to possibly being on call for a tree down or during the winter months. The candidate must have the following skills and knowledge to be eligible:
Perform routine general maintenance, operate and utilize all town equipment as directed by the street commissioner. Assist in leaf pickup , patching potholes, storm maintenance and other misc. jobs given by the street commissioner. Must have high diploma, valid drivers license and must be able to lift or carry 50lbs.
Please contact the street commissioner, Chris Ott to set up a time to get an application at 219-872-4780

Classifieds Make A Cash Connection!

The Herald-Palladium
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The Herald-Palladium is looking to add to our current staff for our production/distribution department. The main function of the position is to work as part of a team while operating the equipment to insert advertisements into the newspapers produced at our print site. Must have attention to detail to ensure the products are inserted properly.

Job Type: Part-time
Pay: $9.45 per hour

To apply: Email Bruce btheisen@heraldpalladium.com

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FINANCIAL

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GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

Stevensville, MI
Garage Sale!
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Thursday 9/24 & Friday 9/25
8a.m. - 4p.m.

Lots of clothes for every member of the family, including prom dresses and men's suits. Many other household items too. Classical vinyl records, shoes, tools etc.

MICHIGAN CITY

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SUN 9/27 8-12

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Michigan City

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St. Joseph, MI
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Thurs 9/24-Sat 9/26
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GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

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Thurs 9/24, Fri 9/25 & Sat 9/26
9:00am - 6:00pm
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Ron 269-217-6692

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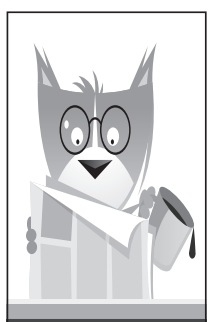

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HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Don't get angry; get moving. Put your house in order. Take care of situations that are slowing you down. Make changes that will encourage greater financial growth. Pay more attention to what's going on around you and how well you take care of your health and well-being. Rethink your strategy, and make adjustments that will counter unsavory situations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Refuse to let what others do slow you down. Offer suggestions, but don't take on responsibilities that don't belong to you. Choose peace and love over discord.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Listen to complaints, make adjustments and do your best to keep the peace. Put a personal vendetta behind you. Hanging on to the past will make you bitter and hold you back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Balance and structure will help you counter indulgent behavior. Concentrate on learning, fitness and self-improvement. Strive to be and do your best. Love is in the stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The change will be refreshing and lend itself to creative flow and the ability to overcome any discord you face. Peace and unity will result if you honor promises.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Refuse to get caught up in someone's plans. Concentrate on what's important to you, and you will overcome the pressure and demands you face. Personal improvements and romance are favored.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A change regarding how others perceive you will depend on what you are willing to do and how well you manage situations that require insight and mediation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A change to the way you do things will help you cut corners. Getting into an argument will work against you. Take pride in what you do and avoid criticism.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Altering how you work will make it easier for you to bring about the changes you want to make. Don't take on something that will cost you physically, emotionally or financially.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Personal satisfaction will lift your spirits and give you the confidence you need to pursue your personal and professional goals. Romance is in the stars.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Avoid getting into a spat with someone who doesn't share your opinions. Be imaginative and show interest in what others do, but don't leave yourself open for criticism. Practice moderation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A personal change will encourage you to take on more responsibility. Before you make unrealistic promises, consider the time and cost involved. Romance and home improvements are favored.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Mix things up. Using social media, you will discover groups that share your concerns and interests. Think before you speak; an impulsive response will lead to trouble.

Responding to employment ads that contain a Herald-Palladium box #

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St. Joseph, MI
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Classified Department
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If you wish to reply to a box number and NOT have your letter sent to certain firms, then begin your e-mail with any company(s) where you do not wish to apply. Then include the Herald-Palladium box address as shown above.

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IN BRIEF

Noir to talk about haunted Great Lakes

BRIDGMAN — Bridgman Public Library will host a Zoom program with Shetan Noir at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 6.

Noir, a paranormal investigator for the Michigan Center for Unexplained Events and Phenomenon, will present "The Haunted Great Lakes."

Attendees will explore the paranormal history of the Great Lakes, including haunted lighthouses, ghost ships and lake monsters.

The Zoom link will be available online at bridgmanlibrary.com.

For more information, call 465-3663.

Lions' rummage sale is this weekend

COVERT — The Covert Lions Club will host an indoor rummage sale from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Jerry Sarno Community Center, 78085 County Road 378 West.

Attendees must wear face masks, and social distancing will be observed.

Table rentals will be available by reservation only. There will be snacks and beverages for purchase.

For more information, call 764-8833 or 764-1298.

Demonstration Day planned for Oct. 3

THREE OAKS — The River Valley Antique Power Association will host a free, outdoor Historic Demonstration Day from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 3 at 7816 Warren Woods Road.

Attendees can see working saw and shingle mills, a big Superior antique engine and antique tractors.

Attendees can bring their own lunch and chairs. Drinks, snacks and fall produce will be available.

Everyone is welcome to bring and exhibit any hobbies or collections. Flea market vendors also are welcome.

For more information, call 517-204-8786.

N.B. library to open for appointments

NEW BUFFALO — New Buffalo Township Library, 33 N. Thompson St., soon will start taking appointments for book browsing.

Appointments, which start Oct. 5, will be limited, and will be 30 minutes long.

Full rules will be listed on the library's website, Facebook page and front doors.

To schedule an appointment, call 469-2933.

Curbside pickup and library services are still available by appointment by calling the library.

Senior center has openings on board

HARBERT — The River Valley Senior Center Nominating Committee is accepting applications for election to the Board of Directors.

Nominees must be residents in the senior center's service area: Chikaming, Lake, New Buffalo and Three Oaks townships, and parts of Galien and Weesaw townships.

Applications, due by Oct. 1, are available at the senior center, 13321 Red Arrow Highway; or by contacting committee chair Sharon Phillips at 513-314-5988 or sphillps45238@aol.com.

Three Oaks Library open by appointment

THREE OAKS — Three Oaks Township Library now is open by appointment.

Call 756-5621 to schedule a time to browse the shelves. The library will be open from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Face masks are required for entry. Patrons are asked to sanitize their hands upon entering the building.

All returned items are being quarantined for four days. And the facility is being cleaned and sanitized frequently.

Curbside service will still be offered during library hours.

Occupancy is limited to 25 percent, so patrons are asked to limit the size of their group, and limit their visit to one hour.

Social distancing rules will apply, and patrons are expected to remain six feet from others not in their household at all times.

Do you have some news about your hometown that you want to see in the paper? Send it to Features Editor Andy Steinke at The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085; or email it to focus@TheHP.com.

Kim's Coat Drive for Kids starts Oct. 1

LaSATA

LANSING — State Sen. Kim LaSata, R-Bainbridge Township, has announced Kim's Coat Drive for Kids will return for 2020 in an effort to collect new and gently used coats for children throughout Southwest Michigan.

The coat drive will run from Oct. 1-31.

"Last year's inaugural Kim's Coat Drive for Kids was a huge success, and I am excited to announce we're bringing it back for 2020," LaSata said in a news release. "We're not going to let the coronavirus stop us. However, this year we are taking extra precautions to ensure everyone's safety. Those wishing to donate a new or gently used coat are being asked to call or email my office, and we'll arrange to have the items picked up."

LaSata said she again will be coordinating with local school districts to distribute the donated coats to children in the 21st Senate District, which includes Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph counties.

"As colder temperatures approach, many kids throughout Southwest Michigan will find themselves without a warm jacket that fits," LaSata said in the release. "I hope Southwest Michiganders will again join Kim's Coat Drive for Kids next month to donate new and gently used coats and jackets for area youth."

For more info, or to schedule a coat pickup, call 517-373-6960 or email SenKLaSata@senate.michigan.gov.

Region IV AAA awarded for opioids program

Photo provided

Lynn Kellogg, CEO of Region IV Area Agency on Aging, at left, and Christine Vanlandingham, COO of Region IV AAA, accept the award during a virtual ceremony.

ST. JOSEPH — The Region IV Area Agency on Aging's "Opioids: Safe Use, Safe Storage, a Healthier You" program recently received the top 2020 Aging Innovations Award from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a).

The award is the highest honor presented by n4a to member agencies.

"Opioids: Safe Use, Safe Storage, a Healthier You" was created in partnership with the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD). It provides opioid education and medication management for older adults in senior housing complexes.

The program received the first-place award among 44 aging programs around the country to receive honors during the n4a Virtual Conference & Tradeshow on Tuesday.

The n4a Aging Innovations and Achievement Awards recognizes n4a's Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and Title VI Native American aging programs members that develop and implement cutting-edge approaches to support older adults, people with disabilities and their family caregivers.

"n4a is thrilled to present the Aging Innovations and Achievement Awards to a diverse and remarkable group of Area Agencies on Aging. We salute all those who have enhanced the prestige of this awards program by sharing their innovative initiatives with their peers in the aging network," Sandy Markwood, CEO of n4a said in a news release. "Meeting the needs of older adults, people with disabilities and their caregivers has been at the heart of what the nation's network of AAAs and Title VI Native American aging programs have done for nearly 50 years – and is more critical now, in light of the impact COVID-19 is having on the communities these agencies serve."

The Region IV AAA's program uses a certified addiction prevention specialist with a focus on combating senior opioid use disorder, preventing opioid theft, connecting seniors to alternative pain management options, addiction treatment and other supportive services – and delivers the programming directly in seniors' residences.

"The personal empowerment that comes with knowledge knows no age bounds," said Lynn Kellogg, Region IV AAA CEO. "Initially targeting housing without significant support staff, the response of participants quickly prompted broader thinking."

"The health department has been honored to be able to develop this initiative in partnership with the AAA," said Courtney Davis, BCHD deputy health officer. "We have observed the negative impacts of opioids in our community, and this initiative is a critical piece of addressing a community health need through the empowerment of knowledge and resources to our older and senior community members."

Kerri Teachout, BCHD certified prevention specialist, added, "Being able to meet people where they are and develop this initiative over the past year and a half has been rewarding and a unique way for me to continue to address substance use disorders in my own community. I've had participants share their own personal struggles with medication – from confusion, to fear, to addiction at times – and how the information presented through this program helped to empower them to seek help."

For more information about Region IV AAA, contact COO Christine Vanlandingham at cvanlandingham@areaagencyonaging.org or 983-0177.

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